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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The contest of yesterday over the admission of Virginia was productive of good results already apparent. The Reconstruction Committee met this morning and took up the bill referred by General PAINE yesterday. This bill is the most liberal of any of the measures which have been sent to the Committee with conditions of any kind attached. It simply enforces the third section of the Fourteenth Amendment, legalizes the election of United States Senators, and prohibits any discrimination in legislation or rights under the Constitution on account of race or color. This bill promptly received the assent of the entire Republican strength of the Committee; and on the meeting of the House, General FARNSWORTH, acting Chairman of the Committee, in the absence of General BUTLER, introduced the bill into the House, and it was made the special order for to-morrow. Mr. BINGHAM gave notice that he would move his joint resolution of yesterday as a substitute, but if it fails he will vote for the bill as reported. Although it is not exactly what Governor WALKER and the Committee of the Legislature would prefer, they aver their satisfaction with the measure, and will be glad to accept it as a measure of admission without further delay. The Legislature will be able to qualify and proceed at once with business, as it is alleged there is but one man who will be ruled out by the application of the Fourteenth Amendment. It is reported that BUTLER will be back to-morrow, and that he will lead an opposition to the measure and endeavor to defeat it; but he will have to move quickly if he expects to succeed.

The debate on the Virginia joint resolution continued in the Senate with even more acrimony and bitterness than characterized the proceedings of yesterday. The party within the Republican Party who advocated postponement was defeated by a majority of one in a vote of fifty-one, and the question then came up on the amendment of Senator DRAKE, which provided that the State should be thrown back to her present condition, and her Senators and Representatives excluded, in the event of the rescinding of the Fifteenth Amendment ratification by the Legislature. The war of words on this point continued for upwards of two hours, to the evident interest of the crowded galleries. More sharp thrusts were aimed and parried by the contestants on both sides in the debate to-day than have been attempted on any measure in a long time. There was a great deal of talk on the constitutionality and advisability of inserting this nullification clause in the joint resolution providing for the admission of the State, and it was argued pro and con on various technical grounds. Mr. MORTON drew from Mr. SUMNER a warm indorsement on the views which he expressed in a short, logical speech, in which he took the ground that, if Congress had the right and the power to build up these State Governments, it had the clear authority to adopt all measures necessary to preserve their work. Mr. TRUMBULL was very forcible in a speech on the other side, and Mr. DRAKE rather lost his temper once or twice under the thrusts which he received from some of his own party friends. To-day, as yesterday, the Democrats took no part whatever in the debate—a point which was alluded to in one of the speeches, and which drew from Mr. SAULSBURY the question if the opposition would be tyrannical enough to deprive the minority of that enjoyment. Finally, as there was not the slightest probability of being able to get a vote, a motion to go into Executive session prevailed, and the Senate adjourned. In reference to Mr. DRAKE's amendment it is thought that it will not pass, and it is understood that a substitute which will probably be acceptable will be offered to-morrow.

SENATOR SHERMAN'S FINANCIAL BILL.

The first important financial measure of the session is the bill reported from the Senate Finance Committee to-day by Senator SHERMAN, an abstract of which will be found elsewhere. It will be seen that it embodies Governor BOUTWELL'S recommendation to take up the three per cents and issue in place thereof $45,000,000 of national bank circulation, to be distributed proportionately among the States which have the smallest proportion under the existing distribution. It also provides for free banking on a gold basis, with deposit of United States bonds, circulation to be to the extent of ninety per cent. of the gold value of the bonds, but not exceeding eighty per cent. of the par value thereof; circulation to be redeemable in gold on presentation.

THE FIRST VETO.

President GRANT to-day transmitted to the Senate his first veto message, and the report that he had vetoed something created quite a little sensation in the corridors of Congress. It turned out that it was a private bill providing for a hearing in an extension case involving a pistol improvement, the time for such hearing having passed. The President did not even give any reasons; he simply referred to reasons given in the accompanying report of the Chief of Ordnance. Mr. FERRY innocently moved to refer the veto to the Committee on Patents, when Mr. TRUMBULL solemnly asked, "Who ever heard of a reference of a veto," when the requirements of the Constitution were suggested and the veto went to the table, to be called up to-morrow. A veto by GRANT is quite a refreshing incident.

THE SAN DOMINGO QUESTION.

The proposition for the annexation of San Domingo as variously received by Senators and members of the House. There is, however, a more favorable feeling toward the project than existed when the treaties were first announced. The intelligence that European influences, particularly that of the English on the island, are strenuously opposed to annexation has a good effect. The Senate Committee on Foreign Relations will consider the treaties informally this week, but final action is not likely to be taken for some weeks to come, at least not until the people of San Domingo have voted on the question of annexation in accordance with the terms of the treaty.

THE GOLD INVESTIGATION.

The Banking and Currency Committee had a full meeting this morning, and discussed the disposition of the large amount of business now pending before them. It was finally resolved to begin the gold investigation on Saturday next before the whole Committee, and to push it through to a speedy conclusion. The witnesses will, therefore, be brought to this city, and their examination conducted here.

MR. KELLEY'S SPEECH IN THE HOUSE.

The House did but little business to-day, and at an early hour went into Committee of the Whole to give Mr. KELLEY an opportunity to vent his wrath on Mr. Commissioner WELLS. He read a carefully prepared and printed speech, which may account for the fact that he was neither so discursive nor so violent as usual. Nevertheless, he occasionally got down to his ordinary level of personal denunciation, and several times charged Mr. WELLS with treachery to his country, and more than broadly intimated that he was paid for his services by foreign manufacturers, alluding to the steel manufacturers of England. He styled them "Mr. WELL'S employers," and again charged him with "sapping and mining the great industries of the country." Mr. KELLY covered less ground than in his former phillipics, confining himself chiefly to steel, iron and coal, with an occasional reference to the savings banks and the agricultural interests. He apparently found use for all his efforts in these monopolies. He was listened to patiently by some of the extreme Protectionists, but otherwise his speech produced very little impression. The advantage of the controversy is still decidedly with the Commissioner, the admirable spirit and temper of his report, after all the personal abuse that has been heaped upon him, having gained for him the respect of many who cannot indorse all his views, but who reprobate the indecent character of the warfare waged against him by the representatives of special interests.

COMMITTEE ROOMS.

There was a general upsetting of committee-room arrangements to-day in the House. General SCHENCK asked for more room for the Ways and Means, and proposed to take the spacious quarters now occupied by the House Post Office. He would transfer the Post Office to the room of the same size in the story below, now occupied by the Committee on Post Offices, and would transfer the latter to the room now occupied by the Committee on Appropriations, and then transfer the latter to the room proposed to be vacated by the Ways and Means. All this was agreed to, when General GARFIELD proposed to move the banking and Currency room up stairs into the room now occupied by Mr. Clerk MCPHERSON, pending which the House went into Committe of the Whole, and the motion went over.

THE CUBAN QUESTION.

A debate on the Cuban question will probably take place in the Senate in a few days. Mr. MORTON has a speech ready on the subject, in the course of which he will take some new ground on the subject, and two or three other Senators are also preparing arguments on the same topic.

THE ALABAMA CLAIMS.

In reference to the *Alabama* claims settlement nothing later than what has already appeared in the TIMES has taken place. The whole subject is pretty thoroughly canvassed here, and the prevailing idea among members of the Foreign Affairs Committees of both Houses, is that England will not accede to the proposition which has not yet assumed official shape and form, but which is in the minds of almost every one, namely, to surrender New Dominion territories as compensation for all claims and demands. This is a cherished theory of a very prominent member of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, who will make a speech on the subject within a few weeks.

NEW-YORK AND THE FIFTEENTH AMENDMENT.

His Excellency Governor HOFFMAN, of New-York, has sent to each Senator a notification of the rescinding of the vote of that State on the constitutional amendment, accompanied by a circular letter. The failure of his Excellency to be equally prompt in notifying the Secretary of State that the amendment had been passed is fresh in recollection of the people.

A NEW WORD.

Senator SUMNER gave the Senate and the dictionary makers a new word to-day. In the debate on Virginia he said that the rescinding by a State of a vote on a constitutional amendment was utterly null and void, and was merely a constitutional *ridiculosity*.

MRS. GRANT'S RECEPTION.

Mrs. GRANT gave her first morning reception to-day, from the hours of 2 to 4 o'clock. The weather was charming and induced a very large attendance of distinguished and fashionable people, with whom the city is now rapidly filling up. Mrs. GRANT was assisted by Mrs. Secretary FISH, Mrs. Secretary BELKNAP, her relative; Mrs. Major SMITH and Mrs. and Miss BORIE, wife and daughter of Ex-Secretary BORIE. Some of the toilets were very fine, though the morning receptions are not calculated to draw out a very fine display, except in street dresses. Before the close of the reception the President appeared in the parlor and joined Mrs. GRANT in receiving her visitors.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

NOMINATIONS.

The President sent to the Senate to-day the following nominations: OTWAY C. BERRYMAN and FREDERICK P. ELA, to be Second Lieutenants in the Marine Corps; THOMAS C. MCCLURE, of Minnesota, to be Receiver of Public Moneys at St. Cloud, Minn.

CONFIRMED BY THE SENATE.

The United States Senate, in Executive Session to-day, confirmed HENRY W. BLODGETT to be Judge of the United States District Court for the Northern District in Illinois.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Jan. 11.

Petitions were presented for steam communication with China, and that the mission to China be made a first-class mission; and against a renewal of the Corliss steam engine patent.

AMERICAN COMMERCE.

Mr. FENTON introduced a resolution requesting the Secretary of the Treasury to report to the Senate the number of foreign built vessels under enrollment or registered now employed in the commerce of the United States, with the names of such vessels, whether steam or sailing vessels, the tonnage of each, where built, and the date of the law of Congress, which in the case authorized the registration or enrollment of such foreign built vessels.

FINANCIAL MEASURES.

Mr. SUMNER gave notice of a bill to be introduced to authorize the refunding and consolidation of the national debt, to extend banking facilities, and to establish specie payments.

Mr. SHERMAN, from the Committee on Finance, reported as a substitute for all the various propositions relative to the national currency, the following bill:

A bill to provide a National Currency of Coin Notes, and to equalize the distribution of circulating notes.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted, &c.* That forty-five millions of dollars in notes for circulation may be issued to National Banking Associations in addition to the three hundred millions of dollars authorized by the twenty-second section of the "act to provide a national currency secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," approved June 4, 1864; and the amount of notes so provided shall be furnished to banking associations organized or to be organized in those States and Territories having less than their proportion under the apportionment contemplated by the provisions of the "act to amend an act to provide a national currency, secured by a pledge of United States bonds, and to provide for the circulation and redemption thereof," approved March 31, 1865; but a new apportionment shall be made as soon as practicable, based upon the census of 1870.

SEC. 2. That at the end of each month, after the passage of this act, it shall be the duty of the Comptroller of the Currency to report to the Secretary of the Treasury the amount of circulating notes issued to national banking associations during the month whereupon the Secretary of the Treasury shall redeem and retire an amount of three per cent. temporary loan certificates, issued the acts of March 2d, 1867, and July 25, 1868, not less than the amount of circulating notes so reported, and he may, if necessary, in order to preserve the presentation of such temporary loan certificates for redemption, give notice to the holders thereof, by publication or otherwise, that certain of said certificates, which shall be designated by [illegible] and after a day [illegible] any person on account of race, color or previous condition of servitude, from serving as a juror or participating equally in the school fund or school privileges provided for in said Constitution, provided that any alteration of said Constitution equally applicable to all the voters of said State may be made with regard to the time and place of residence of said voters.

Third—That all persons who shall, at the time when said Constitution shall take effect, hold or exercise the functions of any executive, administrative or judicial office in said State, by the appointment or authority of the District Commander, shall continue to discharge the duties of their respective offices until their successors, or those upon whom such duties shall under said Constitution devolve, are duly chosen or appointed and qualified.

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That the election of United States Senators by the General Assembly of said State on the 19th day of October, 1869, shall have the same validity as if made by previous authority of law.

Mr. FARNSWORTH, after the bill had been read, moved that it be printed and postponed till to-morrow morning.

Mr. BINGHAM offered his bill as a substitute.

Mr. ELDRIDGE remarked that the conditions proposed in the Virginia bill were simply abominable.

Mr. FARNSWORTH did not propose to have any debate on the bill at present, and renewed his motion to have it printed and recommitted, announcing that he would call it up to-morrow.

It was so ordered.

BILLS REPORTED AND INTRODUCED.

Mr. LOGAN, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported bills as follows:

Authorizing the issue of blankets to the enlisted men of Company B, Tenth Infantry, to replace those destroyed by fire. Passed.

To authorize the settlement of accounts of army officers. Recommitted.

To provide for furnishing artificial limbs to disabled soldiers. Passed.

Amendatory of the joint resolution of July 28, 1866, for the relief of certain army officers. Passed.

Authorizing the sale of certain arsenals and property of the United States. Recommitted.

For the relief of David Sargent. Passed.

Mr. COBB, of Wisconsin, from the Committee on Military Affairs, reported a bill extending to the 1st of January, 1872, the time for making claims for additional bounties. Recommitted.

Mr. SCOFIELD, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a bill for the transfer of the Philadelphia Navy Yard to League Island, and moved the previous question. Messrs. DAWES and HOWARD, of Wisconsin, remonstrated against the attempt to pass such a bill under the previous question. Pending the colloquy the morning hour (at 2 o'clock) expired, and the bill went over till the next morning hour.

GENERAL DEBATE.

The House then went into Committee of the Whole on the State of the Union, Mr. KELLEY in the chair, for general debate.

Mr. KELLEY addressed the Committee in criticism of the recent report of Mr. WELLS, Special Commissioner of the Revenue, which report he declared abounded in propositions inimical to the best interests of the country. As an expression of the opinion of Mr. WELLS this paper could do but little harm, but its circulation in Europe under the sanction of Congress would impair the credit of the country and arrest the tide of immigration. It was in the nature of a notice to the capitalists in Europe that, as a people, we were tending to bankruptcy, and to the oppressed laborers of other lands that our working people were becoming not only relatively but absolutely poor from year to year, and that therefore this was not the country to which poor but aspiring men should emigrate. The prominent characteristics of Mr. WELLS' report were audacity and advocacy of the interests of England and of her American colonies. That it was ingenious and plausible could not be denied, but it did not, in his judgment, furnish proof. Mr. WELLS' possession of well-grounded convictions on industrial questions. The most audacious of Mr. WELLS' assertions, and one that pervaded the whole report, was that customs duties were always a tax on the consumer, increasing the price of the imported article, and enabling the home producer to realize undue profits by keeping production steadily below the current demand for the commodity. Mr. KELLEY proceeded to criticise and to refute this assertion by reference to the history of the iron and steel trade in this country and in England. In reference to the coal trade, Mr. KELLEY undertook to show that there was a palpable desire evident on the part of Mr. WELLS to promote the interests of the English over the American colonies, which he designated as the asylum of our foes in war, and the base of illicit operations against our revenue system in peace. Mr. WELLS was a protective free-trader—a free-trade protectionist—a disciple of HENRY CLAY, but an advocate of the free-trade dogmas of JOHN C. CALHOUN. Mr. KELLEY then proceeded, at considerable length, to discuss the question of the duty on coal, denying the statements of Mr. WELLS that that duty was urged and levied for protection, and that it was a tax on American consumers of coal. He declared that neither of these allegations was true. He argued that the repeal of the duty on coal would not reduce the price of that article in New-England one cent per ton, or appreciably increase the amount brought to market. Its only effect would be to take from the Treasury an average of from $400,000 to $500,000, in gold annually and give it to the colonists as a reward for remaining contented subjects of Her Britannic Majesty. The repeal of the duties recommended by the Commissioner would flood our country with the productions of the underpaid laborers of Europe, silence countless looms and spindles, close our factories, extinguish the fires in our furnaces and rol ing mills, and leave the grain of our husbandmen, for which there is now no market in Europe, to rot in the field or granary, while their countrymen and former customers starve.

Mr. WARD presented the petition of citizens of Steuben County, New-York, in favor of granting pensions to surviving soldiers of the war of 1812.

The House at 4:30 adjourned.

The Telegraphers' Strike.

Yesterday the men on strike in Albany, Troy and other cities returned to work, having previously abjured their connection with the League. The leaders of the movement in this City are making desperate efforts to obtain the sinews of war, and last evening delegations from their number waited on various labor organizations and demanded pecuniary aid. In most instances their applications were unsuccessful.

Mr. SIMONTON, in a letter, calls attention to the latest advices from California, published by the strikers themselves. STEPHEN D. FIELD, a San Francisco striker, writes to POPE, the head of the Telegraphers' League, on the 2d of January, as follows:

"A slight reduction made in the salaries of two of the members of Circuit No. 32 was met by a petition from all the operators in San Francisco. MUMFORD, the managing agent, called the two first men whose names were on the petition into his office, and informed them indirectly that he was going to test this a test case. They were dismissed, and their salaries taken to increase all of the other salaries up to $120 per month, an increase in some cases of $15. Every man in the Telegraph Protective League was called on to stop work, which they did, with one exception."

This, Mr. SIMONTON continues, as far as it goes, is precisely what Mr. MUMFORD, General Superintendent on the Pacific coast, stated. He had proposed to reduce two men $5 each per month, one of them being JACOBS, upon whose statement the strike at the East was precipitated. The operators in reply presented a schedule of salaries involving no reduction to anybody, but increasing several salaries. Several of the salaries were increased, none were reduced, and thus all pretext was removed for a strike on the ground of reduction of wages. FIELD, the striker, and MUMFORD agree precisely on this basis of facts; and FIELD directly follows his assertion of "cause" by his statement of "effect" thus: "Every man in the Telegraphers' Protective League was called on to stop work," for the reason, of course, just stated.

German Liederkranz Society.

The German Liederkranz Society of this City held their annual meeting at their hall, Nos. 21, 23, and 25 East Fourth-street, last night, Mr. WILLIAM STEINWAY presiding. Mr. ERNEST SCHIERER, the Secretary, made a report showing that the Society, entering now its twenty-fourth year, numbered 1,000 members, and among them 122 singers. Mr. GEO. NEMBACH, the Treasurer, made a report showing that the total amount of receipts of the Society during last year was $89,260 94, and the total amount of expenditures $88,886 64. The property of the Society amounts to $150,484 59, and its debt to $94,768. Mr. WILLIAM STEINWAY, as President of the Society, reported in the name of the Board of Trustees on the rebuilding of Liederkranz Hall last Summer, when the election of officers for the ensuing year took place, which resulted as follows: Otto Sackersdorf, President; Louis Kaemmerer and C. F. Koch, Vice-Presidents; Justus F. Foggenburg and Ernest Steiger, Secretaries; George Nembach, Treasurer; Wm. Marwedel, Financial Secretary; Christian Ebel and Herman Jury, Librarians; Agricol Faur, Musical Director. A new Board of Trustees, of twelve members, having then been elected, the meeting adjourned.

Thirteenth Assembly District Union Republican Association.

The Union Republican Association of the Thirteenth Assembly District met last evening at the corner of Eighteenth-street and Eighth-avenue. The constitution and by-laws for the past year were readopted, and a committee of five was appointed to aid in carrying them out.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the delegates to the Central Committee for the active part they took in harmonizing the differences of the Republican Party in New-York. It was resolved that the Secretary of the Association be instructed to notify each member of the Executive Committee of the general meeting to be held on the first Tuesday in February, with the object of organizing for this year. The meeting then adjourned.

ALBANY.

Announcement of the Committees in Both Houses.

Influence of the Tammany Ring Supreme in All.

Disappointment of Ambitious Democrats.

A Fierce Fight for the Spoils Between Tweed and Hoffman.

The "Honest Legislature" at its Congenial Work.

Announcement of Standing Committees—The Governor's Appointments—The Late Board of Audit and the Comptroller—An Abortive Attempt to Make Political Capital—Contested Seats, &c.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Tuesday, Jan. 11, 1870.

Speaker HITCHMAN, notwithstanding his recent severe illness, was in his chair at the opening of the Assembly this morning, and immediately after the reading of the Journal announced the Standing Committees. Mr. JACOBS was then called to the chair and the Speaker retired for the day. Mr. HITCHMAN deserves credit for the promptness with which he has hatched out his committees—in such striking contrast with the protracted incubation of last year. As to the committees themselves and the way they are made up there may be a difference of opinion. There are a great many sore heads, as usual, among the ambitious aspirants for Chairmanships and other eligible places; but, on the whole, the Speaker has succeeded in giving as general satisfaction to his party, whom alone he sought to satisfy as his predecessors in office. He has certainly been liberal with his Tammany friends, the New-York delegation receiving the Chairmanship of eleven, or one-third of all the Committees of the House. The names of the New-York members who are honored with positions as Chairman are Fields, (two committees,) Frear, M. Murphy, Kiernan, Plunket, Campbell, Brown, Hennessey, Burns, Nachtman, Brooklyn gets four Chairmen—Jacobs, Moseley, O'Keefe and Clark. Republicans receive, as they expected, a poor show. Mr. HUSTED, their candidate for Speaker, is fairly treated—being a member of Ways and Means, Commerce and Navigation, and Grievances—but other leading Republicans have a very slim show and are badly distributed. The important Committee on Cities, for instance, has no Republican member from New-York or Brooklyn; Messrs. WHITE and MADDOX, one or both of whom should have been on the Committee, being cast aside for HULL, of Wyoming, and ELY, of Broome. There are four Democrats from New-York City on this Committee, and its organization is entirely in the interest of Tammany Hall.

THE SENATE COMMITTEES.

The Lieutenant-Governor has been equally liberal to the New-York Democracy in the formation of the Senate Committees, they receiving nine Chairmen and a controlling power in nearly all the important Committees. Senator PARKER, of St. Lawrence, for some unexplained reason, was left off of his old place on the Railroad Committee, and, to the great surprise of his colleagues, Senator LORD, instead of Senator HARDENBURG, is made Chairman of the Finance Committee.

The Senate adjourned, after the announcement of the Committees, without transacting any business of importance.

THE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENTS.

The Senate will hold its first Executive Session to-morrow, when it is expected that the Governor will send in his nominees for various offices, among others that of Health Officer for the Port of New-York, in place of Dr. SWINBURNE, who has held the position for the last six years. There is a lively contest going on for this place—the most lucrative post in the gift of the Governor—and it may not be settled in time for the Governor to send in a name for to-morrow's session. The fight is between HOFFMAN and TWEED, each of whom has a candidate whom he strenuously insists shall receive the appointment. The Governor's candidate is Dr. MORRIS, formerly of Sing Sing, the Governor's native place, but now a practicing physician in New-York. TWEED'S candidate is Dr. CARNOCHAN, of New-York, who, though not even an acquaintance of the "Big Injun," is being urged by him at the request of a mutual friend who aided TWEED with money and advice many years ago, when he was near the end of his career as an honest cabinet maker. If a compromise cannot be effected between the Governor and TWEED, the probabilities are that both candidates will be thrown overboard, and, in that case, the nominee will be Dr. PARKER, of Poughkeepsie, (a nephew of Dr. WILLARD PARKER, of New-York,) who is said to be a very skillful physician and popular man.

THE "HONEST LEGISLATURE"—A SPECIMEN BRICK.

The proceedings in the Assembly to-day furnished an inkling of what the public may expect in the way of honest legislation from the present Democratic majority in the Legislature. OWEN MURPHY, anti-Ring member from New-York, offered a resolution calling upon Comptroller CONNOLLY to report to the Assembly within ten days what claims were audited and allowed by the "Board of Audit of New-York and paid by the Comptroller, and also what claims were subsequently allowed and paid by the Comptroller after the Board of Audit was abolished, to whom paid and what portions of the amounts were paid to the original claimants. The public are aware, or, at least, they ought to be, that after the Board of Audit was abolished, the remaining unaudited claims were referred to the Comptroller for settlement. It is alleged that the larger portion of these claims, including many that the "Board of Audit" had passed upon and rejected, were privately bought up by the knowing ones at ten cents or less on the dollar, and were afterwards paid in full by Comptroller CONNOLLY. In this way, it is said that the Tammany Ring enriched themselves to the tune of a million dollars or more. The object of MURPHY'S resolution was to expose the fraud upon the City Treasury; but no sooner was it introduced than TOM FIELDS moved to refer it to the Committee on Cities, which, after some debate, was carried, and that will be the last of it, since the Tammany Ring have got this Committee, as it seems to have got the majority of the Assembly, completely under their control.

TRYING TO MAKE POLITICAL CAPITAL—A FAILURE.

The House went into Committee of the Whole on the resolutions offered last week to abolish the "Conspiracy law," and during the discussion Mr. HENNESSEY, of New-York, tried to make a little political capital for the Democracy by representing the law as a part and parcel of "Radical" legislation. Mr. HUSTED, of Westchester, however, took him and his party friends all aback by showing that the law which they proposed to abolish with such a flourish of trumpets was enacted by a Democratic Legislature, and signed by a Democratic Governor, and that in the only instance in which an attempt had been made to enforce the law the Grand Jury that found the indictment and the Judge that tried it were both Democratic. There was no more Democratic applause in the galleries after this exposure. The resolutions were advocated by members of both parties, and passed without opposition.

CONTESTED SEATS.

A resolution was adopted requiring the unsuccessful party in contested-seat cases to pay his own expenses. Heretofore both parties have been paid $1,000 each out of the State Treasury for counsel fees. There are four cases of contested seats pending, two of the contestants being Republicans, and two Democrats. The Committee on Privileges and Elections say they shall not go out of Albany to take testimony this session, but compel the contestants to bring their evidence here. They might as well not have any evidence at all, for the decisions will be made solely on party grounds, as they always are.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

SENATE....ALBANY, Tuesday, Jan. 11.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

On Finance—Messrs. Lord, Murphy, Sanford, Parker, Scott.

On the Judiciary—Messrs. Murphy, Hardenberg, Creamer, Chapman, Wood.

On Canals—Messrs. Hardenberg, C. F. Norton, Sanford, Thayer, Lewis.

On Claims—Messrs. Morgan, M. Norton, Bowen.

On Railroads—Messrs. Genet, Hubbard, Pierce, Blood, Minier.

On Charitable and Religious Societies—Messrs. Tweed, Banks, Winslow.

On State Prisons—Messrs Cauldwell, C. F. Norton Woodin.

On Internal Affairs—Towns and Counties—Messrs. M. Norton, Morgan, Lewis.

On Poor Laws—Messrs. Hardenberg, Frost, Harpending.

On Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Hubbard, Genet, Bradley, Parker, Harpending.

On Indian Affairs—Messrs. Sanford, Tweed, Scott.

On Commerce and Navigation—Messrs. Pierce, Blood, Frost, Thayer, Lewis.

On Agriculture—Messrs. Frost, Graham, Harpending.

On Literature—Messrs. Murphy, Hubbard, Chapman.

On Militia—Messrs. C. F. Norton, Genet, Wood.

On Roads and Bridges—Messrs. Cauldwell, Morgan, Brand.

On Grievances—Messrs. Creamer, C. F. Norton, Minier.

On Banks—Messrs. Graham, Lord, Winslow.

On Insurance—Messrs. Bradley, Pierce, Woodin.

On Privileges and Election—Messrs. Bradley, M. Norton, Elwood.

On Manufactures—Messrs. Blood, Morgan, Elwood.

On Retrenchments—Messrs. Pierce, Hubbard, Elwood.

On Public Buildings—Messrs. Banks, Frost, Thayer.

On the Election of Towns and Counties—Messrs. C. F. Norton, Graham, Kennedy.

On Public Expenditures—Messrs. Graham, Cauldwell, Ellwood.

On Municipal Affairs—Messrs. Tweed, Creamer, Banks, Lord, Kennedy.

On Public Health—Messrs. M. Norton, Hardenberg, Brand.

On Printing—Messrs. Creamer, Cauldwell, Bowen.

On Salt—Messrs. Lord, Bradley, Kennedy.

On Joint Library—Messrs. Frost, Banks, Winslow.

On Rules—Messrs. Sanford, Murphy, Parker.

NOTICES OF BILLS.

By Mr. HARDENBERG—To extend the Wallkill Valley Railroad.

By Mr. TWEED—Chartering the New-York City Mission and Tract Society.

By Mr. GENET—Amending the Conspiracy laws.

By Mr. CAULDWELL—Authorizing Morrisania to borrow money for town improvements.

By Mr. HARDENBERG—To amend the Game laws.

By Mr. CHAPMAN—For the relief of CHARLES DAVIS; also for a canal bridge in Binghamton at Canal and Court streets.

By Mr. CREAMER—To prevent the carrying of concealed weapons.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. BLOOD—Extending the time for the collection of Division-street assessments at Saratoga Springs.

By Mr. MORGAN—Amending the Poughkeepsie Street Railroad act; also, appropriating moneys to pay the indebtedness of the Hudson River State Hospital for the Insane.

By Mr. SANFORD—To incorporate the City of Rome.

Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

The annual report of the Commissioners of Quarantine was read.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The Speaker announced the following Standing Committees:

Ways and Means—Messrs. Jacobs, Banker, Bergen, Dodge, Murphy, Coon, Husted, Littlejohn, Selkreg.

Commerce and Navigation—Messrs. Kiernan, Jones, Cavanagh, Decker, Clark, Bergen, Nachtmann, Ray, Husted.

Canals—Messrs. Bamler, Howe, Shanahan, Payne, Fuller, Steele, Alvord, Graham, Baker.

Railroads—Messrs. Patrick, Irving, Snow, Mitchell, Blair, Baldwin, O'Keefe, Littlejohn, Bemus.

Banks—Messrs. Hathaway, Davis, Morton, Clark, Martine, Lawrence, Cook, Walker, White.

Insurance—Messrs. Barnes, Jacobs, Sleight, Plunkett, Haver, Field, Flenigan, Gleason, Maddox.

Two-thirds and Three-fifths Bills—Messrs. Bennett, Baldwin, Cook, Barnes, Franklin, West, White.

Public Education—Messrs. Flagg, Kiernan, Sweet, Pearsall, Pease, Barnes, Walker, Davis, Lowrey.

Grievances—Messrs. Field, Cullen, Frear, Jacobs, Alvord, Littlejohn, Husted.

Privileges and Elections—Messrs. Nelson, Decker, Murphy, Bergen, Cavanagh, Remer, Oakman.

Petitions of Aliens—Messrs. Mahoney, Hennessey, Lyon, Brown, Cavanagh, Bolt, Deming.

Civil Divisions—Messrs. Hasbrouck, Mooney, Frear, Ainsworth, Banker, Hull.

Claims—Messrs. Payne, Cary, Tighe, M. C. Murphy, Jerard, Droll, Cavanagh, Butterfield, Sniper.

Internal Affairs of Towns and Counties—Messrs. Mooney, Jerard, Brown, Droll, Coon, Lawrence, Sturgus, Winans, Blossom.

Public Health—Messrs. La Mooree, Allaben, Cook, Marsine, Bergen, Krack, Maddox, Delano.

State Charitable Institutions—Messrs. Brown, Steele, O'Keefe, Snow, Sturgis, Lowrey, Hewitt.

Affairs of Cities—Messrs. Murphy, Flagg, Lanahan, Mitchell, Mosely, Campbell, Ely, Hall.

Affairs of Villages—Messrs. Ainsworth, Pearsall, Lanahan, Pease, Martine, Krack, Roberts, Pease, Tifft.

Manufactures of Salt—Messrs. Mosely, Hathaway, Howe, Empie, Allaben, Stevenson, Wilson.

Trade and Manufactures—Messrs. Hennessey, Empie, Van Steinburgh, Droll, Bamler, Seward, Genet.

State Prisons—Messrs. Lawrence, Bennett, Plunkett, Flynn, Ronan, Flanagan, Baker.

Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Plunkett, Lawrence, Fuller, Young, Sleight, Kelhan, Green.

Militia and Public Defence—Messrs. M. C. Murphy, Mosely, Flynn, Payne, Flanagan, Clark, Sanborn, Johnson, S. L. Brown.

Roads and Bridges—Messrs. Davis, Clark, Nachtmann, Howe, Ainsworth, Flenigan, Young, Milford, Lowrey.

Public Lands—Messrs. Allaben, Bennett, Van Steinburgh, Barnes, Jerard, Bradford, Foster.

Indian Affairs—Messrs. Snow, Bamler, Davis, Blair, Sleight, Hull, Miner.

Charitable and Religious Societies—Messrs. Cullen, Cary, Empie, Burns, Sweet, Jones, Northrup, Miner, Parker.

Agriculture—Messrs. Horton, Van Steinburgh, Hasbrouck, Irving, Flynn, Wood, Wright.

Public Printing—Messrs. Nachtmann, Krack, Baldwin, Decker, Banker, Shanahan, Tighe, Maddox, Selkreg.

Expenditures of the Executive Department—Messrs. Flynn, Pearsall, Lannahan, J. T. Davis, Berry, Deining.

Expenditures of the House—Messrs. O'Keefe, Haven, Hasbrouck, R. Flannagan.

Judiciary—Messrs. Fields, Lyons, Cullens, Ronan, Nelson, Mitchell, O. Murphy, Hyatt, V. F. Brown, Wright.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

By Mr. MITCHELL—Regulating the New-York gas business.

By Mr. GREEN—To prevent the railway from encroaching upon the highways in Little Valley.

By Mr. CULLEN—For the relief of CALVIN D. CAMP.

By Mr. HAVEN—To charter the Cabinet Makers' Association of New-York.

By Mr. MOSELY—To repeal the act relative to organizations for savings banks; also, relative to life insurance companies.

By Mr. JACOBS—For the relief of MARGARET EVANS.

By Mr. KELHAM—Relative to highway labor appointments.

By Mr. KERANAN—Relative to the New-York Marine Court; also, providing for an additional Police Court in New-York.

By Mr. BERGEN—On behalf of the Trades' Unions of New-York, for a better regulation of convict labor—ordered printed; also, for the protection of life and limb in engineering operations; also, to preserve the public health; also, to regulate the hours of labor.

By Mr. BLAIR—To charter the Carpenters' Protective Union in New-York; also, relative to New-York Charter officers.

By Mr. KAVANAGH—To extend the time of collecting Excise fees in New-York. Referred to the first Committee of the Whole.

By Mr. FIELD—Amending the General Manufacturing law; also, relative to the Croton Aqueduct.

By Mr. HITCHMAN—Altering the map of New-York.

By Mr. HENNESSEY—To extend East Eleventh-street, New-York.

By Mr. WHITE—Relative to the Union Home for the Children of Volunteers.

By Mr. BARRY—For the relief of THOMAS MAGUIRE.

RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. FIELD—That the Insurance Committee inquire, without expense to the State, into the affairs of the life insurance and trust companies, and report what, if any, legislation is necessary. Adopted.

Mr. HENNESSY—That the Railroad Committee inquire into the rates of fare of the New-York street railroads, without expense to the State, except for the service of legal process. Adopted.

The resolution providing that contesting members shall bear their own expenses was amended so as to pay the expenses of the members awarded seats, and adopted.

By Mr. OWEN MURPHY—Calling on the New-York Board of Audit for a report of their proceedings.

Mr. FIELDS moved to refer the resolution to the Committee on Cities and Villages, as all the information called for would be embodied in the reports of city and county officers. Adopted.

Mr. MITCHELL moved that the special Committee on Tariff be discharged, and action be taken at once on the resolution favoring the abolition of duties on tea, coffee, sugar and coal.

Mr. ALVORD said the Committee would soon report; that the Chairman was now absent.

Mr. MITCHELL'S motion was lost by a vote of 36 to 64.

Mr. FIELD'S Cuban resolutions were called up, and after debate they were referred to the Committee on Federal Relations, with instructions to report next Tuesday.

The report of the Commissioners to Locate Piers, Bulkheads, &c., on Newtown Creek was received.

THE CONSPIRACY LAWS.

The House then went into committee on the several bills relative to the Conspiracy laws.

Mr. HUSTED moved to amend the first bill so as to make it simply repeal the clause in the Revised Statutes relating to trades and commerce. He said this would effect the object aimed at. Acts calculated to injure the public health, &c., ought to remain punishable.

Mr. KIERNAN spoke strongly in favor of the proposition contained in the bill, and thought Mr. HUSTED'S amendment was sufficient.

Mr. HENNESSY followed on the same side.

Mr. HUSTED, in response to a remark by Mr. HENNESSY, repudiated any charge which might be made against the Republican Party as opposed to the bill. He was, and the Republican Party were, strongly in favor of it, and regarded it as an act of humanity and not one of partisan politics.

Mr. BERGEN moved a substitute, which provided that the Conspiracy law should not be so construed as to apply to trades' unions. He said this substitute had been carefully prepared by the labor organizations. It authorized these organizations to establish rules and regulations for their governance as they may deem requisite, and he thought the bill should be passed.

The Committee rose and reported progress. In the House the bill was moved to a third reading to-morrow at 12 o'clock, and the

THE BULLS AND BEARS.

Alleged Effort to Explode the Gold Exchange Bank.

A Stormy Executive Session of the Gold Exchange.

PROMPT EXPULSION OF A MEMBER.

The Rules Sternly Vindicated.

AN INSIDE VIEW OF THE WHOLE AFFAIR.

During the morning of yesterday the "Street" was filled with rumors to the effect that the Gold Exchange Bank had suspended, and that there was a great deal of trouble generally in relation to the gold brokers and speculators in gold.

THE FACTS.

The result of careful inquiry disclosed the facts in the case, which appear to be substantially that Mr. TASKER H. MARVIN, of the firm of MARVIN BROTHERS & Co., gold brokers, in Exchange-place, bought $700,000 in gold, which was to be delivered through the Gold Exchange Bank clearing department. He refused to deliver the gold, however, unless a certified check for the currency was given by the bank. In this matter he pursued the same course as that taken by Mr. COLGATE, of TREVOR & COLGATE, on Monday, when that gentleman refused to make a clearance of $500,000 through the Gold Exchange Bank unless that institution would give him a certified check for his currency, thus declining to trust the bank with so much currency beyond its capital, and expressing want of confidence in the stability of the bank.

On Monday, as was stated in the TIMES of yesterday, Mr. COLGATE obtained a certified check from the bank as demanded, but the officers of that institution then declared that they would not again submit to such an exaction.

ACTION OF THE BANK.

When the demand of Mr. MARVIN was made upon the Gold Exchange Bank, the officers declined to give the certified check as required, and at once issued the following notice, which was posted upon the bulletin at the Gold Exchange:

NEW-YORK GOLD EXCHANGE BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1870. }

New-York Gold Exchange:

This bank gives notice that a general clearing cannot be made this day on account of large balances due the bank not having been paid in, and agreeably to rule 10 balances due dealers cannot be paid out until all balances due the bank are paid in. Therefore, agreeably to rule 4, all checks, currency, coin, United States Treasury gold certificates, statements, &c., belonging to the dealers will be returned when called for.

JACOB RUSSELL, Cashier.

This amounted to a suspension of the clearing department of the bank as complete as that which followed the September panic, with this difference, that then the bank was compelled to suspend because of inability to clear the gold, and hold the checks, currency, &c., of dealers; whereas, in this last case, the bank voluntarily declined to clear any transactions, and promptly returned the checks, &c., which had been sent into their hands by dealers. In this act there was nothing to the discredit of the bank, and nothing affecting its stability as a clearing house. The officers simply stood by the regulations which had been adopted concurrently by the bank and the Gold Exchange when the business of the institution was resumed in October last.

MEETING OF THE GOLD EXCHANGE.

As soon as the notice of the bank was served upon the Gold Exchange, an executive session was called for the purpose of taking action under article 19 of the Constitution (hereafter quoted), and the hour of 3 o'clock was fixed for the assembly and members notified thereof by telegraph.

At the hour named there was a large attendance of members, all of whom appeared to be deeply interested in the proceedings which were about to be taken.

The scene reminded one forcibly of the executive sessions of the Gold Exchange which were held after the September panic for the purpose of deliberating upon measures involving the life and welfare of the institution. Seats were gathered from various quarters and ranged upon the platform devoted to the loan market of the Exchange, and, as a rule, none but members were admitted—the attorneys being excluded and the galleries cleared. A few members of the Press managed to obtain a position in the members' gallery, where they were suffered to remain. While the preliminaries of the meeting were being carried out members were "buzzing" in small knots here and there about the room, many regarding the affair as a good joke, and apparently fancying that nothing would result from the meeting.

There were those present, however, who considered the matter in a different light, and seemed determined to uphold the regulations of the Board at all hazards. To this complexion" a decided majority came at last after hearing the statements made to the meeting.

Mr. JOHN F. UNDERHILL, President of the Gold Exchange, called the assemblage to order. The Secretary, Mr. THOMAS FAKERS, read the rule of the Exchange which had been violated, (hereafter quoted,) and the business of the meeting was about proceeding, when some lynx-eyed individual espied the reporters in the gallery and forthwith moved that they be expelled. The motion was seconded, with cries of "Put them out," when Mr. POLHAMUS JACKSON moved that the gentlemen of the Press be permitted to remain. The members saw the justice of the proposition and the motion was carried unanimously.

Mr. TASKER H. MARVIN was then called upon to answer the charge that had been made against him for violating the concurrent rules of the Exchange and the clearing department of the Gold Exchange Bank. Mr. MARVIN appeared on the platform by the President's desk and stated substantially that he had sold $700,000 gold for delivery through the clearing department of the Gold Exchange Bank, and had demanded a certified check for the amount of the currency due him, which the bank had refused to give. He was doing a business to the extent of many millions of dollars each day, and simply wished to be made secure against any loss which might result from a suspension of the bank or any injunctions which followed the September panic. He stated that Mr. RUSSELL, the cashier, had offered him his individual receipt for the money, but would not comply with the demand for a certified check. Mr. MARVIN held that there was no law or regulation which would compel him to risk his funds with the bank without adequate security. Yesterday he had found that Mr. COLGATE had obtained a certified check as had been demanded, and he saw no reason why similar security should not be given him (Mr. MARVIN.) The bank should not make an exception in favor of Mr. COLGATE'S case.

The President, (Mr. UNDERHILL,) interrupting, explained that the exception was made in Mr. COLGATE'S case to avoid embarrassment, and it was then distinctly understood that it would not be done again.

Mr. MARVIN claimed that the bank should always give a certified check.

Mr. HODGKINS declared that the whole thing was a preconcerted movement on the part of Mr. MARVIN to distract the business of the Exchange. [Cheers.] The question was not whether a member should be expelled for such flagrant violations of the rules, but whether the Board should resolve into a rabble or maintain its character as a respectable organization, bound to obey the laws. [Cheers.] He then proceeded to read the following resolutions:

Whereas, Rule 4 of the by-laws of the Exchange provides that all contracts for gold shall be settled through the clearing department of the New-York Gold Exchange Bank, and

Whereas, The firm of MARVIN BROTHERS & Co., have made large contracts with members of the Exchange for gold to be settled through the said clearing department, and

Whereas, The said firm of MARVIN BROS. & Co. have willfully, knowingly, and for purposes of their own, refused to comply with the said by-law by clearing their gold contracts through said clearing department without any adequate reason for such refusal, and without release of the parties to their inability to comply with their said contract; and

Whereas, The said MARVIN & Co. have, by such precipitate action, thrown the whole business of this Board into confusion, and brought serious injury upon many of its members; and

Whereas, They not only did refuse but persist in refusing to comply with the by-law referred to, and

Whereas, Article 19 of the Constitution provides that "any member refusing to comply with these foregoing rules, or written by-laws, shall, upon notice thereof being given to the presiding officer, be called before the Board for explanation; and if he still persists in refusing, two-thirds of the members present may declare him no longer a member. Therefore be it

Resolved, That TASKER H. MARVIN, who is the member of this Board representing said firm, be and he is hereby expelled from membership in this Board; and be it further

Resolved, Further, that the clearings of yesterday's business, interrupted to-day by the action of the said firm of MARVIN, BROS. & CO., be resumed to-morrow, each member providing for his clearings on the basis of omitting all contracts with said MARVIN.

Resolved. Finally, that this Board is hereby irrevocably pledged to uphold its rights and privileges to the last extremity, and to enforce just and proper discipline among its members, even if it shall require the expulsion of one-half of its members and the expenditure of every dollar of its funds.

The resolutions were received with loud and prolonged cheering, and a few hisses were discernible in the uproar.

Mr. HODGKINS asked that before the question was put, Mr. MARVIN have an opportunity to give a full explanation of his conduct.

Mr. MARVIN stated that if any one present believed that he had violated the by-law with the intention of injuring the bank or the Exchange, he would be willing to be expelled; but if he could not do his business in his own way, taking all necessary precautions against risk, he would withdraw from the Exchange.

Mr. HODGKINS remarked that there was no necessity for any risk. He doubted if Mr. MARVIN honestly believed that there was any necessity for any such course as that which he had pursued.

Mr. MARVIN replied that he did as he had from principle. He did not feel secure. Mr. COLGATE'S course on Monday had made it doubtful to his mind whether the bank was safe, and he made up his mind to ask for a certified check. He did not know until yesterday that he could not get a certified check from the bank. [Cries of "Oh! oh!"]

Mr. RUDOLPH KEPPLER moved to separate the resolutions of Mr. HODGKINS and vote upon one proposition at a time. He felt that it was not Mr. MARVIN, but somebody else who was to blame in this matter, and he wanted to get at the bottom of it. He thought that the question might properly be referred to a committee to investigate, and meanwhile Mr. MARVIN should be suspended until the truth was revealed.

MR. COLGATE'S CASE.

Mr. VAN SCHAICK moved to amend the resolutions so as to include the name of Mr. COLGATE, of MOOR & COLGATE; as he was the man who originated this difficulty, he should be expelled also. (Cries of "Yes! that's so.")

TAKING THE VOTE.

The various amendments which had been submitted were voted down amid considerable excitement. The meeting decided to take the vote by a call of the roll, notwithstanding the protest of the Secretary that, as there were over 480 names on the roll, its call would be a very tedious affair. The list of members were called, and the result was that 186 votes were cast, of which 124 were for expulsion and 62 against—just two-thirds of the members voting in favor of the proposition.

The result was announced amid clapping of hands and other demonstrations of satisfaction.

THE LOANS OF YESTERDAY.

Mr. RUDOLPH KEPPLER offered the following resolution, which was carried unanimously:

Resolved, That all loans made for the Clearing House this morning shall be considered as having been completed, and all such loans shall thereby stand free for renewal, or be subject to being called in or returned to-morrow.

The remaining resolutions, as offered by Mr. HODGKINS, were then adopted by a *viva voce* vote.

COLGATE AGAIN.

Mr. VAN SCHAICK demanded that Mr. COLGATE be summoned to answer for his course on Monday.

The President stated that Mr. COLGATE had been summoned.

Mr. COLGATE walked up to the platform, apparently greatly annoyed, and remarked that there was no charge against him. He had violated no rule.

Amid considerable confusion Mr. VAN SCHAICK was understood to say that he would make a charge. He demanded that a committee be appointed.

The President declared him out of order.

The Secretary stated that Mr. COLGATE had been summoned on complaint of Mr. DUFF, but that gentleman withdrew the charge when he was informed that Mr. COLGATE had complied with the rule by depositing a check with the Metropolitan Bank; and, furthermore, he had paid the demands made upon him over his counter.

The Executive Session then broke up.

REDUCTION OF TAXATION.

Opinions of the Republican Press.

From the Bangor (Me.) Whig, Jan. 8.

The excellent exhibit of our finances under this Administration raises the question, whether we should use the surplus to pay off the national debt, or whether we shall better meet the expectations of the people by applying our abundance to a material reduction of taxation? The verdict seems to be in favor of reducing taxation, and to postpone the payment of the national debt, or at least to diminish the amount yearly reduced. The emphatic manner in which the Governor, in his address, takes the ground that, as the benefits arising from our great expenses to save the nation are as much for posterity as for us, and therefore we should not bear the whole burden, will meet the popular view. The people demand that relief be administered as soon and as fully as possible, considering our extraordinary condition. In spite of all precautions, taxation will fall to a certain extent unequally upon the labor classes, and the Government must keep in view this idea. Let us apply three-fourths at least of our present surplus by reducing taxation; the balance will liquidate the debt as rapidly as should be required of this generation.

From the Rochester Democrat, Jan. 10.

It seems to us that we have fully vindicated our integrity in the eyes of the financial world. All that we need now do, in order to retain the confidence we have won, is to show that we are abundantly able to meet our engagements, and that will be done as well by voluntarily lessening the burdens of our taxpayers, as in any other way, and probably much better. Capitalists would be more likely to have confidence in our continued ability, if we were easily paying $50,000,000 annually than they would if we were paying twice that sum, while our taxpayers were sullenly complaining. Especially does this seem likely to be the case when we remember that the higher the taxes, the more harm the repudiators do us abroad. We believe that the surest method of retaining the confidence that we have now in the financial world, and the best way to effectually silence the repudiating Democracy, would be to largely, judiciously and immediately reduce the burdens of taxation. Congress should grapple the subject independently, and without being unduly influenced by the expressed opinions of the Executive or the Secretary of the Treasury.

From the Detroit Advertiser, Jan. 8.

The surplus next year, under the present laws, is estimated at $124,000,000. Is there any necessity for accumulating this vast sum beyond what the expenses of the Government and interest on the public debt require? We do not think there is, and the people ought to be allowed the benefit of a large part of the surplus in reduced taxation. It is entirely feasible to reduce taxation between sixty and eighty millions annually, and then pay between twenty and forty millions of the public debt every year.

The Government ought to be carried on in the interest of the whole people. The present financial situation is unfavorable to the comfort and prosperity of large masses of the people. Already we hear that the public revenue shows signs of diminution, and the reason is, because many kinds of business are suspended or moving on at a greatly reduced rate; many persons are out of employment, and the production diminishes, as do also the expenditures of the unemployed, wages continue high, and the price of farm products low, which restricts the trade of the farmer with the country merchant, the latter with the city jobber, and the last with the importer, and trade is dull. Men believe downfall of the future, hoard money instead of investing it in business, and the Government, of course, feels the effect of a state of affairs it has helped to produce.

From the St. Louis Democrat, Jan. 8.

The NEW-YORK TIMES having had the audacity to say, just what we have said in common with a majority of influential Republican papers, that the people desire and the public interest demands a reduction of taxation, the *Tribune* responds by saying that the TIMES arrays itself against the President and the Administration. So much the worse, then, for the Administration, say we! If the people do not approve its proposed policy in that respect, we imagine that it will not be adopted. And the NEW-YORK TIMES, or any other paper of established influence, is quite as likely, to say the least, to represent the desire of the people in that matter as the Secretary of the Treasury. What feature of our Constitution makes it a high crime and misdemeanor for people to think and say that the Secretary has recommended a mistaken policy?

But the *Tribune* has no right to drag in the name of the President to support its notions. The Message of General GRANT did not take position against, but in favor of a reduction of taxes, and it especially recommended a reduction which the *Tribune* wants to prevent, namely, modifications, "in instances where unjust or burdensome discriminations are made by the present laws." What the *Tribune* wants to prevent is a removal of unjust and burdensome features of the present tariff. And that happens to be precisely what General GRANT recommends. The *Tribune* has a right to its opinion, but it has not a right to quote the President as opposing any reduction of taxes.

We hold it to be both the right and the duty of Republican papers to give warning if they think that the Administration, or any branch of it, is pursuing a course contrary to the public desire and opinion. It is the part of a true friend to point out what seem to be mistakes. He who would permit the Administration to place itself, in flagrant disregard of the will of the people and the true interests of the country may deserve to be called a sycophant, but never a friend.

It seems to us that the course which Secretary BOUTWELL recommends—namely, a continuance of the present burden of taxation, when it is confessed that the revenue is fully one hundred millions greater than the necessary expenditures of the Government—will not be approved by the people. Of this section of the country, at least, we can speak with confidence, for we know what is the feeling of people of all classes, and we certainly are not mistaken in saying that the demand for a reduction of taxes is earnest and almost unanimous. If there are a few holders of Government bonds who wish Mr. BOUTWELL'S policy adopted, they take care to give no token of their existence. The facts have been very strongly and plainly presented by every newspaper in this region, showing that the Government, by honest collection and economical expenditure, has now effected a saving of over one hundred millions of dollars yearly as compared with the Johnson Administration. Republicans point to the fact with pride, and say with truth that this was precisely what the supporters of General GRANT promised that he would do. But the people also remember that one other pledge was solemnly made, in every part of the country when the election of General GRANT was advocated, namely, that the burden of taxation should be lessened. The people look to see that pledge redeemed. To them the policy of Mr. BOUTWELL does not seem in accordance with the pledges of the Republican Party. And it is the part of a true friend to say most frankly to the Secretary, and to the Republican majority in Congress, that we do not believe the people of the Northwest will sustain any party which does not faithfully keep that pledge, and reduce taxes just as far as can be done without impairing the public credit.

In brief, the people of the Mississippi Valley, so far as we can learn their feelings, do not want to be paying debts for the coming generation. They have borne their share of the losses and burdens of a great war. They think they have borne enough for the present, if, besides those losses and burdens they support the Government in all reasonable expenses, and in prompt payment of the interest on a debt not yet due.

CURRENT NOTES.

CHURCH GLASS is a Kentuckian.

The thermometer at Quebec on Saturday morning marked 16° below zero.

The Attica *Atlas* has new type, and is now legible.

Some of the boys in Brown University serenaded Senator SPRAGUE on Monday night.

Dr. J. T. HODGEN was elected President of the St. Louis Medical Society on Saturday after several ballots.

A landlord in Springfield, Mass., always gives each of his dozen tenants a turkey on Christmas.

Only the daily issue of the Dayton (Ohio) *Signal* has been suspended. The *Weekly Signal* still flourishes.

The Adjutant-General of Maryland recommends three honorable orders for the State militia—the "Order of Merit," the "Order of Perfection," and the "Legion of Honor."

Mr. GEORGE H. PIERSON, an Inspector at the Boston Custom House, and a brother-in-law of General BUTLER, died of pneumonia at Lowell, Mass., on Saturday.

Governor PADELFORD thinks Rhode Island needs a new Capitol. The present building in Providence was erected more than 100 years ago, and is small, inconvenient and unsuitable.

By request of the Congressional Committee on Reconstruction, General CANBY has prepared a report on the administration of civil and criminal justice in Virginia.

The young man named CLOUSTON, who, last Summer, killed his father with a pair of sheep-shears in a quarrel, near Cameron, West Va., has just been acquitted, the jury finding that the stabbing was unintentional.

Boston wants its Police force reorganized.

General MOWER died at New-Orleans on the first anniversary of the death of General ROUSSEAU, his predecessor as Military Commander of Louisiana. He was sick but five days of congestion of the lungs.

The Washington correspondent of the Newark (*N. J.*) *Advertiser* writes that "the almost unanimous demand of the Press of the country for a reduction of excise taxation is having its natural effect upon Administration men, and it is not probable now that the majority in Congress will be willing to adjourn and return to the people for the Fall campaign without some modification of the present scale."

The Democracy of Wayne County, Ohio, had an Eighth-of-January gathering at Wooster. Although letters were received from PENDLETON, VALLANDIGHAM, MORGAN, RAMSEY and others, the only one who ventured to hint at any political opinions was Congressman MORGAN, who said: "We had earnest work on the Georgia enormity, and will have a hot session. Our friends will act on the aggressive, which is the only policy here or in Ohio."

General HOWARD has written to Governor SCOTT that the rich planters in South Carolina are repaying very slowly the moneys due on account of supplies advanced by the Freedmen's Bureau, and that in order for him to fulfill his obligations, it will be necessary for them to pay up immediately. He says the poorer classes—both white and colored—have been the most prompt, and still evince the readiest disposition to pay to the full extent of their ability.

The Richmond *Dispatch*, speaking of the proposition to fund the public debt, says: "Capitalists will not buy, the four per cent. bonds at this day, when there are so many means of safe investment at eight to ten and twelve per cent. Then the Government will be compelled to borrow money to redeem the six per cent. bonds, which they must offer to redeem should the holders decline to make the proposed exchange for the four per cent. bonds."

The explanation given of the finding of the missing $30,000 in the Washington office of the Adams Express Company on Sunday is this: Mr. VOSS, who has charge of the money department, in putting away in the safe the matter received from the New-York messenger, found that there was an obstruction in one of the lower compartments, and on examination found the missing package, which being about three-eighths of an inch in thickness and seven inches by thirteen, fitted the top of the compartment so nicely that it was with difficulty taken out.

The Georgia Democratic State Committee, at its meeting in Atlanta last week, adopted a series of resolutions recommending that no impediment be thrown in the way of a reorganization of the Legislature, and that, avoiding all bitterness, strife and personal denunciation, the Democratic members who can qualify remain at their posts, and on all questions and measures which may come before them, so act and cast their votes as, in their judgment, to preserve the rights and interests of the State, and best promote the prosperity and happiness of the people.

Several ladies in Detroit have petitioned the City Council to appoint LUCY M. ARNOLD, M. D., as City Physician. One of the signers, moved by an allusion to the petition in a local paper, writes that "there are not three names upon the whole list that would maintain or encourage anything that pertained to the enfranchisement of women, but, on the contrary, would regard it as one of the most appalling evils that could fall upon the American people, and would urge every true woman, inasmuch as she regards the sacredness of society and the welfare of the race, to use her influence against the rights of suffrage to women."

The Buffalo *Express*, while expressing regret at the decline of the lake trade, says that in the immense growth of the cattle trade at that point during three or four years past, and in the steady development of the coal traffic centring there, Buffalo has gained in business within these years a great deal more than it has lost by the railroad diversion of the grain trade, by the steady growth of business in many other departments of industry and commerce. Even of the amount by which the lake and canal movement of grain is diminished only a fraction is lost to Buffalo, the remainder representing a gain in the traffic of the railroads centring there.

A correspondent of the Cleveland *Herald* indorses the views recently expressed in the TIMES on the subject of the reduction of the taxes, and says: "The effort now made to reduce the indebtedness of the country is at the expense of its business and commercial interests. Only a portion of this debt and an amount provided for by the sinking fund should be paid at this time. Let the load of taxation be lightened, give us a more elastic currency and more equally diffused by bank capital in all the States, and then with proper economy and the full collection of the revenue we shall safely approach the period of a resumption of specie payments that can be maintained. To exhaust and impoverish by excessive taxation would render such attempts only a failure."

As a German was repairing a clock in Baltimore, on Saturday, the house took fire, and it was found necessary to remove the furniture. The German, however, clung to the table on which was lying the timepiece, and even when it became necessary to run the hose through the room, and the greatest confusion possible was created, continued working at the clock. The fire overhead progressed, and the room became filled with smoke, while hundreds of jets of cold water dropped around him. Nothing, however, could deter him from finishing his job, and finish it he did, when, placing the clock under his arm, he descended the stairs and searched among the crowd for the owner. He was found, and, handing to the persevering mechanic his fee, he asked why he persisted in remaining. His reply was brief, in effect that he had promised to be at a certain place to transact business at 3 o'clock, and, said he, "I always keep my word."

HELL GATE.

New Submarine Drilling Apparatus—Another Step by the Government.

The successive failures of contractors to remove the deep rocks at Hell Gate have induced the Government engineers here to undertake the work themselves, and proceed with it surely, until that whole channel is made the safe and navigable entrance to our harbor on that side which commercial interests have long required. The first step on the part of the Government was taken last Summer by commencing on the project of undermining Hallett's Point, from the land, which in all its parts will be an extensive undertaking, but every way certain of success. In the middle of the channel, however, the rocks can only be reached from the surface, and the great strength of the current over them renders their removal no ordinary operation. They have already successfully resisted at least two determined attempts to clear them away. The Government now proposes to attack these channel rocks itself, which will be the second step it has taken on the work at Hell Gate.

Soon after the upsetting of Mr. SHELBOURNE'S new submarine drill on Frying Pan last Summer, General NEWTON planned out a machine according to his own idea of what was required in a drill for operation at that point, and gave an order to the Novelty Iron Works Company to build it.

The apparatus was to be constructed to meet three obstacles—first, to resist the tremendous current; second, to withstand collision with vessels; and third, to work with ease on the deep and solid bottom. The General was already satisfied that the only way to remove these rocks was by drilling and blasting. Mere surface blasting appeared to him inadequate and too expensive, judging from what had been done by that method.

After several months the Novelty Works have completed the General's machine, and it has just been put aboard for trial. The following is a description of it:] A large flatboat nearly 100 feet long has been built, in the centre of which is a circular opening about thirty feet in diameter. Over the opening is a ponderous iron frame forming a double arch, nearly thirty feet high. Within the opening runs an immense iron cylinder twelve and a half feet in diameter, and perhaps twenty feet long, which is suspended by the frame work, and is capable of being lowered and raised. This cylinder plays, at its lower end, into a huge iron hemisphere thirty feet in diameter. The working of this apparatus is this: The iron dome is let down upon the rock, the cylinder plays in it according to the depth required, which makes an inclosure of still water from the top of the flatboat to the surface of the rock. Within the cylinder run iron tubes, four or more in number, in which are drills to be worked by machinery, fixed on the boat for the purpose. The whole apparatus is so massive that it is believed no tide can move it when once in position. Four iron anchors, three pronged, and weighing two tons each, are to keep the boat firm over the rock to be drilled.

This novel machine was yesterday moored over Diamond Reef, near Governor's Island, for trial. It is not complete as yet, and the experiments with it at first will be to ascertain how the kinks must be adjusted. The entire contrivance looks like an ugly customer for submarine rocks.

The Spanish Government and its Alleged Advocates.

The following correspondence has been called forth by recent malevolent calumnies against Mr. SIDNEY WEBSTER:

His Excellency, Mauricio Lopez Roberts, &c., &c.:

DEAR SIR: You may have noticed recent newspaper statements of the amount of retainer and fees alleged to have been paid to me, in behalf of the Spanish Government, in questions relating to Cuba, and the calumnious accusations of which those statements are made the occasion.

The statements were, in the first instance, that the Spanish Government had paid to me in the last year a retainer of $40,000 in gold; and now, that an additional sum of $35,000 has been paid from the same source as fees.

In the magnitude of these amounts consists the falsehood, as it constitutes the only pretext of injurious imputation, unless it be that the equally false averment, here and there made, that I have departed from the line of professional employment to influence the determination of political or diplomatic questions pending between this Government and Spain, be of that character.

To the contrary of all the records of your Legation will show, that neither my law firm, nor any member of it, has received a retainer at any time from the Spanish Government. You are personally aware, that for all services of my copartner and myself, up to December last, full payment was made, and that the whole amount paid was for services in the successive years of 1867, 1868 and 1869, has been but $8,870 in currency, and this as compensation for labor in the courts, or connected with judicial proceedings, of such quantity and character as to justify me in saying that the fees asked and paid were reasonable, and within the sum usually paid for such services to members of the Bar in the City of New-York; such as it would be proper to charge to private clients having as large interests at stake, and as can afford no possible ground of imputation when charged to a foreign Government. You are also aware that my professional connection with the Spanish Government began as far back as the year 1865, in the affair of the steamship *Meteor*, and other matters growing out of hostilities between Spain and Chili, and of course had no possible relation to present questions, or to the present administration of this Government.

All these facts are matters of confidence between client and counsel, and I shall under no circumstances disclose them, without your full permission.

It will, even with your approbation and consent, be far from agreeable to make explanation concerning my private business in order to counteract misrepresentations of a public character.

If you deem it proper to give the permission suggested, I beg you to do so in such language as the facts appear to you to justify, and the circumstances require.

With great respect, your obedient servant,

SIDNEY WEBSTER.

WASHINGTON, 7th January, 1870.

MY DEAR MR. WEBSTER: I have received your communication of the 6th instant, and unhesitatingly confirm, in every particular, the statements therein made of your relations to my Government.

I add, that on arriving in this country and entering upon the discharge of my official duties here, and finding that you had for so many years been employed by my Government as its advocate and counselor, and that you had discharged those functions with signal faithfulness and ability, it was a matter of course on my part to continue you in that employment.

I repel with indignation the suggestion that family connection of yours with a high officer of this Government has at any time, either then or since, entered into my mind as being capable of exercising the slightest influence or bias over the official action of that eminent person. In fact, neither your employment nor advice has ever extended to any diplomatic question, or any matter before the Department of State. Both have related exclusively, so far as Cuba is concerned, to the enforcement of the Neutrality law of this Government, and were therefore in no sense diplomatic. I refuse to believe that such an imputation can receive the least credence from any honorable man. To believe so would be to impeach the intelligence and generosity of the people of the United States.

It would be unbecoming in me to speak in this private note of diplomatic questions; but as a foreigner, I can but express my surprise that any upright person in this country should seek to impute discreditable cause for the action of this Government in simply executing the laws of the land, and discharging the merest obligations of public right, and of treaty faith, towards another Government.

You are at liberty, my dear Mr. WEBSTER, to use this reply in any manner which you deem fit and proper. Yours truly, &c.,

MAURICIO LOPEZ ROBERTS.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1870.

MY DEAR JUDGE PIERREPONT: The friends of Mr. SIDNEY WEBSTER have noticed the recent and repeated attacks made upon him through the columns of one or two newspapers, based upon supposed extortionate charges for professional services rendered to the Spanish Government. They think it due to him, and to the profession of which he is already a distinguished member, that these misrepresentations should be corrected. I have knowledge of the nature of the services by him performed, which I regard as strictly professional, and of the amount received by Mr. WEBSTER therefor, which I consider extremely reasonable. You, however, as Attorney for the United States, conducting as you did the proceedings in which Mr. WEBSTER performed a portion of these services, know better than any other member of our profession not only their nature, but their value. Will you, therefore, my dear Sir, in answer to this, convey to me your views upon this subject, and greatly oblige, very truly your friend,

E. W. STOUGHTON.

HON. EDWARDS PIERREPONT.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY OF THE UNITED STATES FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW-YORK,
No. 41 CHAMBERS-STREET, Jan. 10, 1870.

E. W. Stoughton, Esq.:

MY DEAR SIR: Yours of this date is received. I would say in reply that the professional services of Mr. WEBSTER, rendered to the Spanish Government, came under my observation. Those services were arduous, involving great responsibility, industry and legal ability; they were performed with the greatest fidelity to the Spanish Government, and with an efficiency and success which merited the highest approbation of his client. Considering the magnitude of the interests which Mr. WEBSTER represented, and the successful way in which he managed those interests, I would think $10,000 a reasonable fee for the services performed. Very truly yours,

EDWARDS PIERREPONT.

EAST RIVER NAVIGATION.

Its Perils on Account of the Sound Steamers—Memorial to the Legislature Concerning it.

A meeting of the East River Association was held, yesterday, at No. 40 Burling-slip, for the purpose of taking measures to improve and render safe the navigation of the East River. Mr. JAMES R. TAYLOR, President, presided, and Mr. GEO. W. BLUNT acted as Secretary. After discussion, the Association unanimously adopted the following, to be presented to the Legislature:

To the Senate and Assembly of the State of New-York:

The undersigned citizens of New-York and Brooklyn, respectfully represent that the passage of steamboats which navigate Long Island Sound, through the East River, is fraught with great danger to the lives and property of your petitioners, and to all who are obliged to cross the ferries between New-York and Brooklyn; and ask the attention of your honorable bodies to the following statement of facts: The East River is only 1,320 feet in width, between the pier head lines at pier No. 45, always full of sailing vessels, and the Sound steamers, twenty-five in number, passing through that reach are several of them over 350 feet in length. These steamers pass at right angles to the course of the Long Island ferry boats, twenty-five to thirty of which, loaded with passengers and teams, are always in motion during daylight on the river. The narrow reach (from Battery to Corlaer's Hook) is 4,600 feet, and within it are eleven ferries, having at least twenty boats, which are constantly crossing, and which at the hour when the Sound steamers pass through it are crowded with passengers. The laws regulating the speed of these Sound steamers while passing through the East River are constantly violated. From these facts will be seen the great danger to which human life is exposed by the passage of these steamers through the East River. Your petitioners, therefore, most earnestly and respectfully ask that a law be passed to prevent all steamers navigating Long Island Sound from passing through the East River below Corlear's Hook.

NEW-YORK Jan. 10, 1870.

Notice was thereupon ordered for signature may be found at No. 40 Burling-slip, where Mr. GEORGE W. BLUNT, who has the matter in charge, will give them out for circulation. The Harbor Commission, in its report for 1856, made to the Legislature in 1857, recommended that the practice of allowing the Sound steamers to run around the Battery from their berths on the North River, be prevented by legislation, as the cause of delay to the free passage of ferry boats and other craft which are compelled to use the lower portion of the East River for legitimate and necessary transit. As a question of economy of time simply, at least forty minutes will be saved in each trip by the Sound steamers should the substance of the petition be put into a law, as it requires that length of time for them to reach Corlear's Hook from the foot of Canal-street, where they now usually lay up. That part of the Commissioners' report which bears on this subject is as follows:

"It will be seen by the evidence submitted, that the practice of the Eastern steamers passing through the East River (by the circuitous route referred to) is subject of general complaint; that in the opinion of pilots and other competent witnesses, life and property are daily placed in jeopardy by their passage at high speed, and that if this speed were lessened so as to conform to the law, which forbids steamers being propelled at a higher rate than ten miles per hour, the danger from collision would probably be increased, by diminishing the control which the Captains have over their vessels when under a full process of steam. Some of the testimony seems to prove that the interests of the owners of those vessels would be promoted if they were compelled by law to stop at the piers in the eastern part of the City."

The Smallpox Still Prevalent—Arrival of an Infected Schooner in the Bay.

Notwithstanding the exertions of Sanitary Superintendent HARRIS and his indefatigable corps of Inspectors, there does not yet appear to be any material diminution of smallpox cases in this City. It is not epidemic, nor need any fears be entertained that it will become so; but the efforts for its utter extirpation have thus far not been entirely successful, and it would be little short of miraculous if they had been, considering the crowded and unhealthy condition of the tenement quarters where it is prevalent. Yesterday Dr. HARRIS had a new cause for anxiety in a telegram received from Dr. O'MEAGHER, at Quarantine, announcing that a schooner had arrived at Stapleton, Staten Island, with smallpox on board, and that he was without facilities for towing her out. Dr. HARRIS immediately sent tugs to the infected vessel, and as it was isolated yesterday morning, all danger from it is considered past. In the City, the mortality from the disease is just now increasing, because of the changeable weather, which is liable to superinduce pneumonia upon the original malady, when a fatal termination is almost inevitable. Although this increased mortality is alarming to the unnformed, and notwithstanding there were eight new cases reported yesterday, Dr. HARRIS is confident that the disease will be speedily stamped out. Indeed, there are indications that it has already reached its culminating point, and that thus early in the season the cases are about to diminish, both in number and virulence.

Another Murder—Death of a Man from Wounds.

Coroner KEENAN was notified yesterday that CONRAD OESTREICHER, a German, aged 31, and lately residing at No. 55 Rose-street, had expired in Bellevue Hospital at a late hour on Monday night from the effects of a stab wound. It appears that the deceased entered the saloon No. 99 Norfolk-street, on the morning of the 2d inst., and soon after leaving there he became involved in a quarrel with an unknown man, who drew a knife and ended the quarrel by stabbing his opponent in the abdomen, causing a fatal wound. An inquest will probably be held to-day, and the Tenth Ward Police are in the meantime endeavoring to arrest the unknown murderer.

Award of Contracts for Street Paving.

The Croton Department and the Comptroller yesterday awarded contracts for street paving, as follows:

Stone Block Pavement.—In Tenth-street, from Fifth-avenue to University-place, to J. F. KEYES, at $5.894 60; Sixty-third-street, from Third-avenue to Lexington-avenue, to W. A. CUMMING, at $5,965 55; Lispenard-street, from Broadway to Church, to J. F. KEYES at $9,094 80; Laight-street, from West-street to Canal, to J. F. KEYES at $25,060; First-street, from Fourth to Madison-avenue, to W. A. CUMMING, at $5,415 94; Thirtieth-street, from Eighth to Ninth-avenue, to W. A. CUMMING at $6,650 60; Lodlow-street, from Grand to Broome-street, to J. F. KEYES at $4,215; Thirty-second-street, from Third to Fourth-avenue, to W. A. CUMMING at $9,285 10.

Bobbled Iron Pavement Laid Pavement.—In Fourth-street, from the bowery to Livingston-street, to R. W. TRUNDEY at $5 50 per square yard—$88,000; in Fifth-street, from the Bowery to Lewis-street, to same party at $88,000.

Nicolson Pavement.—In Forty-fifth street, between Lexington and Fourth avenues, to Nicolson Pavement Company, at $5 per square yard, $7,460; Thirty-seventh-street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, same parties, at $14,960; Fifty-fifth-street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, same parties, at $15,460; Howard-street, between Broadway and Centre-street, same parties, at $3,307 50; Eighth-avenue, between Centre and Elm streets, same parties, at $3,307 50; Fifth-avenue, between Fifty-ninth and Ninetieth streets, same parties, $198,125.

Seeley Improved Patent Concrete Pavement.—In Eleventh-street, from University-place to Sixth-avenue, to E. L. VIDAL & Co., at $4 50 per square yard, $30,250; in Howard-street, from Broadway to Mercer-street, to same parties, at $2,850.

A Wreck and a Rescue.

Off Cape Lookout, at 10 A. M., Jan. 9, the Captain of the steamship *Champion*, which arrived here yesterday, reports that he saw a schooner in the breakers on the shoals, with signals of distress flying. Bore down on her and sent off one of his boats to board her. After a hard row of three hours succeeded in reaching her. She proved to be the schooner *George & Mary*, of Calais, Me., Captain JOHN A. LORD, bound from New-York to Charleston, S. C. He succeeded in saving the entire crew, which consisted of Captain, mate and four men. The Captain reports striking on the shoals at 11 Saturday night, steering southwest by west for Frying Pan Light; had just sighted Lookout Light, and judged it to be fifteen miles distant; sounded and could get no bottom. The tide being high, saw no breakers until she struck. At daylight the vessel bilged, and a heavy gale and sea from northeast breaking her up very fast, the crew were obliged to take to the rigging before the *Champion's* boats reached them.

Navy Yard Intelligence.

Nearly two hundred old sailors and marines presented themselves at the Navy Yard yesterday, ready to enlist in the corps of "ordinary men" to perform general labor in the yard. The fifty required were selected and are now in the service.

The United States storeship *Guard* was being loaded yesterday. Her destination is unknown.

CHARLES STEELE is the name of the new boss carpenter who reported at the Navy Yard for duty yesterday.

The frigate *Powhatan*, which arrived on Saturday morning, still lies off the Battery.

The Drawback Frauds.

There appears to be a great determination on the part of the Government officers to recapture RICHARD B. CALDWELL, the notorious drawback conspirator, who recently eluded the vigilance of the Montreal Police, after being discharged on a writ of *habeas corpus*. Colonel WHITLEY, Chief of the Secret Service Division, feels certain that he will have the fugitive within the next four days. It is not unlikely that he will be brought here by kidnapping, and that he may even now

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The excitement in Paris over the tragedy in which Prince PIERRE BONAPARTE bore so prominent a part continued yesterday. The version given to the public, on the authority of the Prince, represents him as having been assailed by M. VICTOR NAIR, by striking him in the face, whereupon the Prince, who had his hand on his pistol in his pocket, at once shot him. FONVILLE, who accompanied M. NAIR, is represented to have crouched behind a chair and from that position to have aimed a pistol at the Prince, but missed fire, and then to have fled on being fired at by the Prince. The Chambers have been convoked as a High Court of Justice to try the Prince on a charge of homicide. The office of the *Marseillaise*, M. ROCHEFORT's journal, has been seized by the Government. The subject of the homicide came up in the Corps Legislatif, on a proposition that members of the Imperial family should be rendered amenable to the law, when M. OLLIVIER uttered a menace that the Government from justice, law and moderation, might, if forced, become power. A demand was made for the arraignment of M. ROCHEFORT for outrage against the Emperor. It was referred to a committee....A London dispatch says that negotiations to consolidate the interests of the Anglo-American and French Cable Companies are progressing favorably; and that, in the event of their failure, the receipts of both will be capitalized and the profits divided on an agreed basis....A scheme for an international workingmen's exhibition, to be held in London, was matured on Monday night....Some property of the late Mr. PEABODY, near Stockwell, England, has been seized by the Crown, on the ground that Mr. PEABODY was an alien. The Probate Court takes the same view. ....A crisis is said to be imminent in the Austrian Cabinet....Changes have been made in the Greek Cabinet.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate, yesterday, Senator SHERMAN, from the Finance Committee, reported a bill as a substitute for all the propositions relating to the national currency, which provides that the three per cents shall be taken up and forty-five millions of national bank circulation be issued in their place, and distributed proportionately among the States which have the smallest proportion under the existing distribution. Also, for free banking on a gold basis. Mr. SUMNER gave notice of a bill to be introduced to authorize the funding and consolidation of the national debt, to extend banking facilities, and to establish specie payments. The Virginia bill came up on the motion of Mr. WILSON to postpone. This, after debate, was not agreed to—yeas 25, nays 26. The amendment of Mr. DRAKE, to deprive the State of representation in the event of the Legislature rescinding its ratification of the Fifteenth Amendment, then coming up, was debated, but not acted upon.

The Virginia question was brought before the House immediately after the reading of the journal. The Reconstruction Committee reported General PAINE's bill, which enforces the third section of the Fifteenth Amendment relative to the oaths, legalizes the election of United States Senators, and prohibits any discrimination in legislation or rights on the score of race or color. This was made the special order for to-day. Several bills of minor importance were introduced and reported from committees, then the House went into Committee of the Whole and listened to a speech from Mr. KELLEY, of Pennsylvania, on the report of Commissioner WELLS, which he criticised and generally objected to.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate, yesterday, the President announced the Standing Committees. Several bills were introduced, and the Senate at an early hour adjourned.

In the Assembly the Speaker announced the Standing Committees of that body. Bills were introduced to provide for an additional Police Court in New-York; to extend the time for collecting excise fees in New-York, and for other purposes. The Railroad Committee was instructed to inquire into the rates of fare on the New-York street railroads. The bills relating to the Conspiracy law were taken up in Committee of the Whole, and the first was amended so as simply to repeal the clause in the Revised Statutes relating to trade and commerce. This bill was advanced to a third reading, which was ordered for to-day, and the Assembly adjourned.

GENERAL.

A Havana dispatch says many engagements have occurred recently near Puerto Principe between the troops and the insurgents, and that many of the latter were surrendering.

The West Virginia Legislature will meet on Monday, Jan. 17.

The President yesterday sent to the Senate a message vetoing the bill authorizing the Commissioner of Patents to rebear ROLLIN WHITE's application for extension of letters patent for improvements in pistols.

The Boston Chief of Police reports 2,000 liquor shops in operation the past year in defiance of the Prohibitory law.

The Convention to amend the Constitution of Tennessee reassembled at Nashville yesterday, when all the members and officers took an oath to support the Constitution of the United States, and discharge their duty faithfully. Amendments to the Constitution were submitted forbidding slavery and involuntary servitude, except as punishment for crime, and prohibiting the passage of any law recognizing property in man; also, conferring the right to vote on all male citizens who have paid a poll tax.

An unknown man attempted to poison himself in Palmyra, N. Y., yesterday, but the poison was treated with antidotes. He had taken the precaution to erase his name from all his memoranda.

The stockholders of the Buffalo, Corry and Pittsburg Railroad met at Mayville, N. Y., yesterday and elected a Board of Directors, who in turn chose the following officers: M. P. BENUS, President and Treasurer; THOMAS STRUTEBERS, Vice-President, and DANIEL WILLIAMS, Secretary.

On Monday night, while Pére CHINIQUY was speaking in the French Protestant Church in Montreal, a crowd outside disturbed the exercises by shouting and hooting, and then threw stones through the windows. They were driven off by the Police. No one was injured.

The National Rubber Works, of Bristol, R. I., took fire yesterday, and assistance was sent for from Providence. The amount of damage was not known at 1 o'clock this morning.

Two blocks were burned in Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory, yesterday, involving a loss of from $300,000 to $500,000.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that dealers in leaf tobacco through commission agents are liable to the special tax of $23.

LOCAL.

The German Liederkranz Society held their annual meeting at their hall last night, when the regular reports were made and new officers elected for the ensuing year.

The "Old Ninth Class Association of Public School No. 3" celebrated their annual reunion very agreeably at Delmonico's last evening.

The election of directors for the Ninth National Bank took place yesterday. After a somewhat stormy discussion, the Vyse ticket was elected by two-thirds of the stockholders.

Detectives LYON and KING, of the Tenth Ward Police, succeeded in arresting, last night, ABRAHAM KELER, of No. 133 Norfolk-street, and his son MORRIS, on a charge of causing the death of OESTRICHER. Both of the prisoners admitted their participation in the *melée* in which the deceased received his wounds.

Several bold offenders came before Judge BEDFORD, in the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, and were punished in a rigorous manner.

Justices DOWLING and BIXBY heard several interesting complaints in the Court of Special Sessions yesterday. Among the complainants was an old resident of this City, aged 103 years, who was an officer in the English Navy during the war of 1812.

Yesterday a contract for laying the Nicolsol pavement in Fifth-avenue, from Fifty-ninth-street to Ninetieth-street, at $5 per square yard, was awarded to the Nicolson Pavement Company by the Croton Department. The total amount of the contract is $193,125. Contracts for laying the Seeley, Robbins, and other pavements were awarded at the same time.

The new sub-marine drill, designed for work at Hell Gate, by General NEWTON, has been put afloat and is now on trial over Diamond reef.

On Monday night a building used as a restaurant on the wharf at Greenpoint, was upset and thrown into the harbor by a party of lawless characters. It was owned by a poor widow woman named DARBY.

Mr. Boutwell's Plea for Oppressive Taxation.

We cannot congratulate Mr. BOUTWELL on the conclusiveness of his argument in behalf of the maintenance of the present rate of taxation. His horror of national indebtedness may be as wholesome as it is sincere; but when he proposes to exact from the people an enormous annual surplus for the sole purpose of liquidating obligations long in advance of their maturity, he commits himself to a policy which has neither expediency nor justice to sustain it.

It is not necessary to elaborate hypotheses and calculations to prove that the country is abundantly able to sustain the debt that has been incurred in a patriotic cause. Nobody that we know of doubts the ability of the United States in due time to fulfill all its obligations with comparative ease. The debt, large as it is, ceases to be formidable when compared with our resources. It does not follow, however, that we are able, or should be asked, to discharge this debt at once, or within a brief period. As a matter of equity, a burden incurred in the promotion of national unity may be to some extent transferred to those who come after us. This generation has borne its share. It has sustained the brunt of a colossal conflict at a cost which is very imperfectly represented by the present amount of bonded indebtedness. It has, in truth, strained itself in the effort, and now requires rest and recuperation. Its industry is demoralized, and its trade is fettered by the taxes which Mr. BOUTWELL would perpetuate. Every interest is suffering; and there are interests which oppressive taxation is crushing out of existence. The cry for relief, therefore, ought not to be confounded with that "ignorant impatience of taxation" which exasperated King GEORGE's apologists, and against which Mr. BOUTWELL levels his invective. It is in this instance, a cry uttered by a people who have demonstrated their willingness to incur any needful sacrifice, but who protest against being sacrificed for the exemplification of the Secretary's doctrine of "national financial independence." The payment of debt years before it is due is not an exercise which a people who for nine years have patiently endured the exhausting penalties of war, should now be invited to continue.

There is confusion, too, in Mr. BOUTWELL's ideas in regard to the "national financial independence." We might have *that*, if it were possible to pay off the whole principal of the debt,—though something not unlike beggary would be one of the results of the process. But the Secretary's main reliance is upon funding,—the substitution of a lower for a higher rate of interest. And we apprehend that there is little probability of effecting the change without the help of foreign capital. On this continent four per cent. is not likely to be an acceptable rate of interest among those who aim at the profitable use of money. The railway loans now upon this market are, without exception, predicated upon a much higher value of money; and in the West and South its value is still greater. Admitting, then, the possibility of forcing upon the national banks a four or four-and-a-half per cent. bond as the basis of their circulation, the fact remains that for a large proportion of the issue a market must be sought in Europe. The proposition to make interest payable at the financial centres of Europe is a confession of this reliance,—a circumstance that is fatal to the theory of "national financial independence."

Nor can we forget that, in his eagerness to antacipate the bonded indebtedness, Mr. BOUTWELL ignores the greenback indebtedness, whose depreciation affects industry and trade far more injuriously than the whole burden of the bonds. Next to reduced taxation, the restoration of a sound convertible currency is the great want of the country; and its realization is a problem requiring all the knowledge, the skill, the judgment which the Treasury can command.

Again, Mr. BOUTWELL is somewhat disingenuous in his statement of the issue between those who, with himself, would continue the present rate of taxation solely with a view to the payment of unmatured debt, and those who would comply with the demand for reduced taxation. As he represents the case, it is a contest for debt or no debt. But this version does injustice to the Republican Press and the people, by whom relief from taxation is sought. They are content that the sinking fund shall continue. They concede that the influence of that fund upon the public credit is beneficial; and, with hardly an exception, they favor the appropriation of twenty or twenty-five millions annually for the purposes of the fund. Mr. BOUTWELL, on the other hand, would expend a hundred millions yearly in the purchase of bonds. The difference, therefore, is one of degree, which in this case is the equivalent of time; for the sinking fund, if kept up at the present rate, will liquidate the entire bonded debt within a period which should satisfy every reasonable champion of "national financial independence."

There is, however, this material difference between the Secretary and the people: He would extort an annual surplus of a hundred millions until funding be effected; they would apply three-fourths of that amount to the diminution of burdens that are now oppressive. In other words, he would squeeze out of the taxpayers' pockets, every year for a series of years, a hundred millions more than the sum needed to meet the current expenditures of the Government, with the view of saving eighteen or twenty millions by funding—at a date uncertain. The people would secure an immediate saving of seventy-five millions or more, and at the same time feel assured that funding will more certainly follow national prosperity than any conceivable surplus purchased at the cost of an impoverished industry and an embarrassed commerce.

So far as funding is concerned there is but one opinion as to its desirableness. It is hoped for, sooner or latter, as a means of obviating certain financial difficulties and rendering possible a larger reduction of taxation. The debatable question is, how may funding best be promoted? Come when it may, it must be preceded by the reëstablishment of public confidence. There must be perfect confidence in the national faith here, —and the confidence must be felt abroad as well as at home. Now what are the most trustworthy conditions of public confidence? Mr. BOUTWELL insists that they are all found in a large surplus revenue. We contend that the worth of a surplus, as a source of confidence, is measured by the content and prosperity which it represents. Where it proceeds from a fiscal system wisely organized and honestly administered, with labor well-to-do and in demand, and with trade active under circumstances favorable to its profitableness,—a surplus is undoubtedly a thing to which a Secretary of the Treasury may point with pride, But it it proceeds—as Mr. BOUTWELL's hundred million surplus would proceed—from a trade crippled by vexations, imposts and restrictions, from an industry impoverished by exactions and suffering from the depression incident to the present condition of affairs. Then a surplus indicates the reverse of thrift and prosperity: it tells of hardships which cannot last, and a fiscal administration which begets popular discontent. Such a surplus, so acquired, is an element of danger to the public credit,—not the source of confidence which Mr. BOUTWELL portrays as the forerunner of a successful funding scheme.

We submit, then, that an immediate reduction of taxation to the extent, at least, of seventy-five millions, may by judicious measures be made the means of strengthening the public credit. In the first place, it will remove widespread discontent,—a discontent which Mr. BOUTWELL quietly ignores, but which is as prevalent as it is natural. In the next place, well-considered reduction—reduction in the interest of the people rather than of monopolies—will greatly contribute to the restoration of prosperity to trade and industry, It will cheapen the cost of production, will impart fresh life to decaying trades, will lessen the cost of transportation, and will add to the substantial comfort of all classes. It will enlarge the volume of domestic products available for exportation, and will thus contribute to a more healthy commercial relation with foreign countries. And it will effectually controvert the opinion, now fast gaining ground, that the machinery of legislation and of the Treasury is worked in the interest of special classes, not of the people. Those being among the prospective results of reduced taxation, it may be relied upon as a potent auxiliary to other methods of cultivating public confidence.

The Persecution of Virginia.

When the people of the United States resolved to suppress insurrection, they did not also intend to pursue conquered States with undying hostility. "Prove your loyalty," they said to these communities, "and we shall be glad once more to see you standing side by side with us in the Union." But there are extremists among us who would practically keep the country in perpetual disunion. Party warfare is so fascinating in their eyes that even a State is not too large a bone of contention to satisfy them. Nearly five years have passed since the rebels laid down their arms, and still Virginia, having satisfied all reasonable demands upon her, is denied admission to Congress—not because the people at large have willed it so, but because a few turbulent spirits are determined to keep an old wound open until doomsday, if they can manage to do it.

The Republican Press unanimously calls for the prompt restoration of Virginia to its full rights as a State. It makes this demand in the interests of the whole people, which are contemptuously disregarded by the advocates of a bitter and uncompromising policy. No pretext has been advanced for the continued exclusion of Virginia which will bear a moment's examination. The bill introduced by Mr. FARNSWORTH yesterday, would, we believe, be accepted without hesitation by the Republican Governor of Virginia, and by the Committee from that State now assembled in Washington. Under the provisions of the measure in question only *one* member in the entire Legislature of Virginia would be incapacitated from sitting. The provisions are stringent enough to deprive every disloyal citizen of civil privileges. The preamble of the bill itself admits that the people of Virginia have "adopted a Constitution republican in form, and, by its provisions, assuring the equality of right in all citizens of the United States before the law." The Committee on Reconstruction, from which the measure proceeds, has doubtless satisfied itself by searching inquiries on this important point. We have, then, a State *proved* to be loyal kept forcibly out of the Union by the obstinacy and folly of a few bigots, who manage to frighten or cajole the "weaker brethren." It is impossible that such a proceeding can have the support of the nation at large.

To-day the bill referred to is to be made a "special order," and in one way or other its fate must be decided. We earnestly trust that moderation will at length prevail over the fanaticism which would keep us in a state of war five years after the restoration of peace. Senator STEWART very truly remarked the day before yesterday that the authority of Congress to guarantee to every State a republican form of government "did not imply the right of Congress to compel a State to belong to the Republican Party." It seems to us that the State cannot be kept out of the Union any longer except by subterfuge and dishonesty. By all means let us now have an end to this controversy. There are plenty of other subjects to occupy the attention of Congress. If Mr. FARNSWORTH's bill is not passed, the public will certainly expect to have more cogent reasons assigned for the refusal than any which have yet been offered.

Our New Possessions—The Chances of Acquisition.

The foothold in the West Indies which has long been an object of quest by the United States is now in a fair way of attainment. The Babcock-Gautier treaty for the cession of San Domingo is before the Senate, with the chances in favor of its ratification. Will it also be ratified by the island? Will that popular vote, which is nominated in the treaty as needful to its becoming of full and binding effect, result in a majority for annexation?

This is one of the interesting queries of the hour. Weighing all the chances, it seems to us that the islanders will affirm the treaty. We are mindful that ever since the Spring of 1867 the little Republic has been rent in twain by civil strife over this very issue. We recall that CABRAL, once President, and now a powerful rebel, has rested his cause mainly on this ground. We are aware that this chieftain still hovers on the western frontiers, at the head of some four or five hundred Cacos, bent on deposing BAEZ; that General LUPERON, now at Turk's Island, declares that SAGET and his men are still in full sympathy with CABRAL, and that, so soon as SALNAVE is effectually done for, he will have the entire Haytian force at his disposal, including the fleet that lately defeated SALNAVE at Port-au-Prince. We do not lose sight of any of these facts, nor of the likelihood that the business now in hand will prove the signal for a storm of revolt from the Haytian insurgents.

But, on the other hand, let us put in array the favoring facts, and see what sort of show they make. In the first place, the administration is thought to be a unit in favor of annexation, being moved thereto by strong persuasives—partly an empty purse, and partly their precarious tenure of office. BAEZ, like Barkis, is "willin'," and, indeed, very anxious. So, certainly, is GAUTIER who has acted as Commissioner, and shown promptness and a conciliatory spirit, together with DEL MONTE, with HUNGRIA, and with CURIEL, who, as Secretary of the Treasury, is deeply versed in the mystery of negative quantities. BAEZ had found it needful for political effect to let the impression prevail, last Spring, that he was opposed to annexation; but he really is its strongest advocate. Rather than not come into the Union at all, the Dominican Administration consented to have the island introduced as a Territory. We think, therefore, that we may count on the Executive patronage being wholly thrown in favor of the treaty.

Next we come to the leading public men. We know already the feeling of Messrs. FABENS and GABB. The Church dignitaries are not to be considered; and our Washington correspondent tells us that their leader, Don DOMINGO LA ROCHE, one of the most influential citizens in the Republic, (and the reputed owner of one-seventh of it,) expressed to General BABCOCK the strongest desire for annexation, and his willingness to use his great influence in the prevailing Church to that end. Then we approach the Senate, composed of the representatives from the seven provinces—this body ratified the treaty at once. Finally, as to the cities, the new treaty is with them the all-absorbing topic, and in San Domingo City, Samana, Porto Platte, Santiago, and all the considerable towns, the feeling of the citizens is strong for the Union. The opposition comes from the rural districts, where the people, being densely ignorant, fancy that this whole thing is a sinister move, designed to sell the people into slavery, and to put the Republic under a worse than Spanish yoke. But it is clear that, as the population is only about 150,000, the classes already named can control a majority vote; and with BAEZ and his Ministers active in spreading information, and in taking care that a really just vote is polled, there is no doubt that the returns made by him to us will show a handsome majority for annexation. CABRAL, too, is hardly a power to be feared. His day has gone by. He may muster a few wretched Cacos to his standard, but, when once the treaty is consummated, a garrison at Samana would make short work with them. And the same may be said of the "war vessels" of the Haytians which LUPERON now claims will soon be at the disposal of the Dominican insurgents.

The Telegraph Troubles.

There is now a good prospect that the telegraph difficulties will pass off without any serious disturbance of the public business or convenience. The Western Union Company has shown itself master of the situation. Three operators in New-York returned to work on Monday, and, for aught we know, others may have followed suit yesterday either here or in other places. The Company has wisely avoided acrimony, and has taken matters very coolly and in good temper, so that it is able to meet those who return in a friendly spirit, without restraint on either side. The main inconvenience of the strike has been felt by people in the coastwise cities south of Richmond, though it has not damaged the business transacted with important distant points like New-Orleans and Havana. Even this temporary trouble is now nearly removed; and as for the operating force between New-York and Washington, it was probably never better than now. The fullness of the Washington dispatches yesterday and to-day, on the reassembling of Congress, has been quite noticeable. Had there been weakness anywhere it would have shown itself most noticeably there; and the conclusion we arrive at is that the Western Union Company is in full control of its own business.

This, of course, is just what the leading spirits among the strikers do not like. For, extraordinary as it may appear, the strikers accept the issue, whether the Company, which has a large amount of capital involved, and which has organized its business thoroughly, shall now manage the business for itself or let others manage for it. This is certainly all the card from the operators, which we published yesterday, can mean. It complains of the reduction of tolls—a measure demanded again and again by the people, and urged upon the Company—on the ground that this low tariff will "destroy all opposition." And it is on this ground that the operators hope for public sympathy. If reducing the tariff of charges be, as the operators declare, "a dishonorable warfare upon the public and upon opposition lines," all we can say is that, as a part of the public, we wish the same "dishonorable warfare" might be practiced by a good many other public companies, such as railroads, steamers and express lines. They could take with advantage a leaf out of this chapter of "warfare against competition."

Meanwhile, however, the question reverts, how the dissatisfied operators have come to be the guardians of the public interests, in the way of preserving high tolls. The answer is that they think a reduction of tolls will be followed by a reduction of salaries. In other words they, operators and employes scattered through the country over thousands of miles, propose that they shall first be consulted before the Company makes any change in its business policy. The proposition they make is substantially that the Company shall no longer retain the management and control of its own property, but shall surrender it unconditionally to the caprice of an outside organization. We hardly think the business men of the community, or any people who know the labor involved in laying and establishing a complete system of telegraphy across a continent, will sympathize with this modest request.

It was this outside organization, called the "League," which persistently declared that a movement for the reductions of salaries had been "going on for some time" on the Pacific coast, and that these reductions were to be continued all over the country. The Company has denied that these were the facts, or that this was its intention; and certainly the Company ought to know what it has done and intends to do. It seems to us that the outside organization arrogates to itself a power of decision in the premises which is not based on any substantial authority.

The cable informs us this morning that an arrangement for the consolidation of the French and English companies is "progressing favorably." We are sorry to hear it. The creation of a monopoly is never to the interest of the public. While there are two cables, competition will always secure a tolerably good service at fair rates. The Anglo-American Cable lowered its tariff as soon as it was seen that the French line would undoubtedly be successful. Now they are to be amalgamated. The shareholders may like it; but they had better not consider that all fear of competition is past. Any attempt to increase the present rates would soon tempt some one to lay down another cable, and one line cannot go on swallowing up all the rest forever.

Mr. FECHTER has no reason to complain of his first reception by a New-York audience. It was enough to stir the coldest heart to hear the repeated bursts of applause which welcomed the stranger to the American boards. Fair play towards members of the profession which Mr. FECHTER adorns may now safely be looked for on either side of the Atlantic. Miss BATEMAN has always received as hearty a greeting in England as she could possibly meet with here. At this moment Mr. CLARKE, an American comedian, is receiving nightly applause at a metropolitan theatre. Nowhere has Mr. JEFFERSON's talents met with heartier recognition than in London. The manager of one of our oldest theatres has been offered a princely sum to play in the same city. The old spirit of jealous "exclusivism" is dead, and true merit is certain to receive its reward wherever it may be exhibited.

One of the papers which has been crying out for the recognition of Cuba came out yesterday with a leading article in a totally different tone. It said: "Facts convince us that in the whole history of revolutions, the Cuban insurgents have proved the feeblest and least effective of all revolutionists." Again it remarks: "With all the help they have received, they have bungled and failed." Quite true—but now will some one prove that the paper which writes thus has been "bought," or is connected by some sort of family ties with somebody or other who has a friend in the Cabinet? That is the only way to account for any expression of opinion which is adverse to the "Cuban cause."

According to the old maxim of the cynic, it ought to be very consoling to us to observe that there are brawls going on somewhere else in the world besides New-York. We have been distinguishing ourselves so much lately in this direction that we can afford to treat the latest "sensation" from Paris with quiet indifference. Prince PIERRE NAPOLEON—a son of LUCIEN BONAPARTE, who was brother of NAPOLEON I.—felt himself aggrieved by HENRY ROCHEFORT. Two members of that journalist's staff called upon the Prince, presumably to arrange a meeting. If we may accept the Prince's statement, they evidently went to the house determined to insult him. The Prince said to them, "It is ROCHEFORT and not his creatures that I seek"—a perfectly intelligible ground to take, seeing that ROCHEFORT has bitterly insulted all the members of the NAPOLEON family, male and female. After a few more words, one of the journalists slapped the Prince in the face. The Prince instantly drew a revolver and shot him dead. Such a fate is necessarily always "on the cards" for men who commit personal assaults, and probably if the facts are precisely as stated, public opinion will not condemn the Prince very severely. Is it as necessary to go armed in Paris as it is nowadays in New-York? ROCHEFORT's paper has been seized—if it were suppressed al together the cause of journalism or of liberty would not suffer. ROCHEFORT is a charlatan, and not a very valiant charlatan, or he would have responded to the Prince's challenge himself, instead of allowing his subordinates to take the quarrel on their shoulders.

They used to call Lord PALMERSTON the Bishop-maker. But Mr. GLADSTONE's luck passes all precedent. He has been in office a little over a year, and already seven mitres have fallen into his hands. The Bishop of Manchester has resigned, and the Premier must look round for a successor. What a gentle flutter of expectancy must agitate the clerical breast in England at this moment! Perhaps Mr. GLADSTONE will now let his blessing fall upon the ranks of the orthodox, still sorely afflicted by the appointment of Dr. TEMPLE. It may be for the convenience of such of our readers as take an interest in the Protestant Episcopal Church if we enumerate the five appointments already made at Mr. GLADSTONE's nomination: Dr. WILBERFORCE, Bishop of Oxford, transferred to Winchester; Rev. J. F. MACKARNESS, made Bishop of Oxford; Dr. TEMPLE, Exeter; Venerable Lord A. HERVEY, Bath and Wells; Dr. MOBERLEY, Salisbury. To each of these Sees a salary of £5,000 a year is attached, while Manchester is worth £4,200 a year.

Of course a quiet child is a great blessing. Very few people can patiently abide a crying infant, except the parents, and there are times when that kind of music palls even upon their prejudiced ears. At such times many worthy persons are disposed to make anxious inquiries concerning the efficacy of Mrs. Windblow's "soothing syrup." If they ask a candid druggist he will tell them that the "syrup" in question is composed in large part of morphine, and that a dose for an infant three months old, as prescribed by the female quack's printed directions, contains the equivalent of ten drops of laudanum. A physician declares that hundreds of children must perish annually through this preparation being administered to them. Will parents make a mental note of this? Avoid Mrs. Windblow's "soothing syrup" as you would the poison bottle. Better put up with a child's crying than become the poor little creature's assassin.

The Boston and Portland newspapers never could agree as to the merits of the two cities as maritime ports, and probably never will. But it does seem a little out of the usual bounds of controversy to make a quarrel about the selection of Portland as a landing place for the remains of Mr. PEABODY. There is really nothing of which Boston need be jealous, nor of which Portland need boast, in the matter. Massachusetts will give the final resting place to her noble son, and may well afford to acquiesce in any arrangements previously fixed, even though a rival city be the first point of American soil at which the funeral *cortége* shall be formed. Let debates about Boston "shoals, and bars, and clam-banks," on the one hand, and Portland snowstorms "fir trees and blue noses," on the other, go on until the "crack of doom"—but preserve something like a decent reverence for the dead, by not wrangling about his burial.

We have already condemned the aspersions which have been wantonly cast by a small section of the Press on a distinguished lawyer of this City—singled out for attack solely on account of his family relations with the Secretary of State. That any private gentleman should be made the scapegoat of a Government, on the sole ground that he is a connexion of a single member of that Government, is an outrage upon public propriety, and a gross abuse of the lawful functions of the Press. The assault in this instance was without a shadow of excuse or justification, and a correspondence which appears in another column will render this fact apparent even to the authors of the slanders. The Spanish Minister testifies that Mr. SIDNEY WEBSTER has received only ordinary fees for the performance of arduous legal duties totally unconnected with Cuba; and it further appears that the said fees amounted to no more than $8,870 for services rendered over a period of *three years* past. Judge PIERREPONT declares that he is familiar with the work done by Mr. WEBSTER, and that $10,000 would have been a very moderate fee in return for it. The accusation is thus conclusively shown to be a base and malicious invention from beginning to end, and the Cubans are doing no good to their cause by promoting or sanctioning a series of calumnies which must naturally excite indignation and contempt in the minds of the respectable portion of the community.

The prospects of European disarmament appear to diminish the more they are investigated, and the foreign Press is, indeed, beginning to question whether they can ever be realized. It is not alone that France wants the Rhine frontier, that Prussia is anxious to complete and Austria to hinder her consolidation programme, or that Italy still looks for the acquisition of Rome. These and other complications are, in themselves, sufficient reasons why no Power will consent to weaken its military resources—but there are others. That very public opinion which condemns the wastefulness of these vast armaments, includes a pretty sharp criticism of present systems of Government,—an opinion which, if unrestrained by the presence of overwhelming force would in some cases find an awkward practical expression. Where, for example, would the ruling powers of Spain be, whoever they are, without the army and the fleet? What sort of tenure of his throne could NAPOLEON count on if he trusted to reforms alone for safety? Great Britain, even, cannot do without soldiers at home. There are too many political agitations there which would not be long in breaking into open disorder were not regiments and batteries quartered here and there. Unhappily, Europe is in too artificial a condition at present, both as to social and territorial arrangements, to dispense with what the people are taxed for and grumble about.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

HAMLET AT BOOTH'S THEATRE.

We are requested to call attention to the fact that the performance of "Hamlet," at Booth's Theatre, now begins at 7:45 instead of 8 as heretofore. The tragedy is proving, as it deserves to be, highly attractive, and will probably keep the stage for weeks to come.

FIFTH-AVENUE THEATRE.

The first performance of "Surf," Miss OLIVE LOGAN's new comedy, will take place at the Fifth-avenue Theatre this evening. Mr. DALY's full company will appear in the novelty, which is said to be an interesting and an amusing play, as well as an original one.

Musical.

MARIANNE STRESOW IN BROOKLYN.

A large audience, and a sympathetic and appreciative one, welcomed MARIANNE STRESOW, at the Brooklyn Athenæum, on Monday evening. The young violinist (she is but 12 years old) displays a wonderful proficiency, and gives promise of greater excellence. She is announced as a pupil of the celebrated JOACHIM, of Berlin, and her performance on Monday showed unusual precision and taste. The opening piece passed off somewhat tamely; but in the "Arpèges," of VIEUXTEMPS, which came soon after, she conquered the enthusiastic applause so richly deserved. Mr. WERNER's violoncello accompaniment to the latter performance was very grateful, and the violoncello quartet, (Messrs. WERNER, MOLLENHAUER, HEMMANN and C. STRESOW,) which opened the second part, was a memorable feature of the evening. Miss ANNA MEHLIG, who had been already very favorably introduced as a pianist to the public by her performances in New-York and at the Philharmonic concerts in Brooklyn, gave effective aid to the concert, as did also Mr. STRINS, whose rich and mellow baritone voice is well known and appreciated in Brooklyn. The concert was exceedingly enjoyable, and MARIANNE STRESOW would, we are sure, be heard with pleasure in New-York.

"LA GRANDE DUCHESSE."

M. DUCHESNE, who will be remembered as the original *General Boum* in "La Grande Duchesse de Gerolstein," is to benefit by a representation of that most enjoyable work at the Théâtre Français on Friday evening next. The sale of seats is now progressing, and from present indications there is reason to prophecy that the performance will be as successful in a pecuniary as in an artistic sense. M. DUCHESNE will naturally assume the part he filled here when "La Grande Duchesse" was first brought out. M. GERMEUCK, an excellent singer, will be *Fritz*; M. FRANCIS, an admirable low comedian, *Prince Paul*; M. GENOT, *Baron Puck*, and Mlle. RIZARELLI *La Grande Duchesse*. The full chorus last heard in the opera will coöperate with these artists, and the scenery and costumes then shown will be used. No doubt can be had, we think, as to the good results of an entertainment about which so promising an announcement can be made.

CONSERVATORY CONCERT.

A very worthy educational institution, the New-York Conservatory of Music, gives a grand musical *soirée* at the hall of the Young Men's Christian Association this night. The programme is unquestionably one of the most excellent, varied and attractive ever offered at a concert. It will be interpreted by the professors and pupils of the Conservatory.

AMATEUR CONCERT.

A grand amateur concert will be given at the Art Building, Fifth-avenue and Fourteenth-street, on Thursday evening week, by Mrs. ADELE VARONA, a lady well known and highly esteemed in musical circles. The entertainment will be under the direction of Mme. GAZZANIGA-ALBITES, and the proceeds will accrue to the benefit of suffering Cuban families. Tickets may be procured of the persons interested.

The Primary Wheat Market of the World.

It is a fact, scarcely less strange than true, that the United States holds within its limits the principal wheat market of the world, and that this is to be found at a point where but thirty years ago there was only a straggling town of 3,000 or 10,000 people, and where now flourishes a city of over 100,000 inhabitants, rightly rejoicing in the *soubriquet* of the "Fair White City of the Lakes." The following abstract of the Milwaukee wheat trade for the year just closed, 1869, is taken from the *Daily Wisconsin*. The figures speak for themselves:

"We give to-day the receipts of wheat and flour for the year 1869. The figures show that Milwaukee still maintains the reputation she has so long enjoyed of being the great primary wheat market of the world. It is with no little pride that we give the figures, for they show the proud position which Milwaukee holds as the great commercial city of the lakes.

During the year 1869 the receipts of flour by rail and team have been a grand total of 765,042 barrels.

The total receipts of wheat for the same period have been 17,795,367 bushels. Reducing flour to wheat, we have a grand total of 21,623,777 bushels of wheat as the receipts at the port of Milwaukee for the year 1869.

The shipments for the year 1869 have been 1,229,190 barrels of flour, and 14,271,860 bushels of wheat. Reducing flour to wheat, we have a grand total of shipments for the year of 20,322,810 bushels. There are in store to-day, 1,055,000 bushels of wheat, and at the beginning of the year there were on hand 617,781 bushels."

Here is a total of nearly twenty-two millions of bush

TELEGRAMS.

EUROPE.

Mr. Bright on Ireland—The Reforms Needed—The Three Hundred Thousand Policemen and Soldiers to be Withdrawn.

BIRMINGHAM, Jan. 11.—The Members of Parliament for Birmingham have addressed their constituents in the Town Hall to-night. Mr. BRIGHT made his first appearance on the platform since his entrance into the Cabinet, and he met with an enthusiastic reception.

Mr. BRIGHT said, on the subject of the Irish Church, his constituents had spoken loud enough for all to hear and for all to understand. It was one of the completest measures ever presented to the House of Commons. But difficulty occurred in the House of Lords—a place of the greatest antiquity and of the greatest influence. On this occasion there was more passion displayed than is generally seen there. The wisest reflected, and after mutual compliments the bill was passed by the Lords. The Catholic grievances were extinguished, the Irish grievances were only left now. He asked Parliament to do something for the Irish non-Catholics and land reform. The difficulties of the question appeared formidable at a distance, but were easily surmountable on approach. The state of Ireland might be painted in a few words. The land had few owners, while half of the population were tenants at-will. The owners neglected to cultivate the soil, but faithfully collected the rents. The industry, home and life of the tenant are at his mercy, or that of his agents. The owners are of the same race as the occupiers of the soil. The only difference between them is that of treatment, of law, of politics. The Catholic tenant and the Protestant owner might be friends and yet feel the rule. Irish proprietorship is really confiscation, which is the result of conquest and is only justifiable as conquest. To this wrong penal laws have added vastly greater ones. Parliament is called upon to give right to the tenants, but save the property of the owners. All would be right if the Irish would be as eager for reform, if they were landlords, as if they were tenants. The reign of discord must be stopped. The 300,000 policemen and soldiers must be withdrawn from Ireland. The question was the hardest ever presented to the people or Parliament. The Government was preparing measures of reform, serious consideration was invoked for them. There was no party question respecting it, and a party fight would be unpatriotic. Nearly four years ago he had blamed Mr. GLADSTONE for the suspension of the writ of *habeas corpus*. He had also blamed Mr. DISRAELI for not producing measures of amelioration. He knew that an unreformed Parliament must refuse action, and therefore he pressed reform, a wider franchise and freer representation. This was no class question. The will, justice and power dwelling only in the nation could heal it. He believed now great results must follow. A reform Parliament can do as much for Ireland as Ireland, if independent or an American State, could do for herself. [A voice—"No!"] Ireland now has churches and schools, and soon will have free lands and rates. Ireland is not wealthy, but we can buy from her all she has to sell, and sell to her cheaper than can any other nation. Our plans of pacification may fail. I hope not. We propose a new conquest of Ireland, without the shedding of blood. Our only weapon will be frank and generous justice, potent to reunite nations long separated by oppressive neglect. [Loud cheers.] Plans vary, some even proposing compulsory education. The Government listens, and learns from discussion. Religious difficulties vanish. Nobody insists on enforcing creeds or dogmas on pupils. If the Government gives money, half of it must go to an establishment, powerful because it is a unit. Besides, a vast body most in need of teaching are of no sect. These difficulties will disappear before the cry of the people for knowledge, and soon universal education will be the law. The speaker then discussed the commercial treaty with France which he defended, presenting a variety of argument and illustrations. He admitted that if we can suppress conspiracy, banish agrarian crime, unite the provinces, reduce the martial forces, and make Ireland as tranquil as England or Scotland, something will be done to justify our statesmanship. Yet education is still untouched. There, as here, in less than three years there will be a national education by general consent. The children of the people must be educated. The French tariff was higher than that the English, but the difference was unimportant. Other nations in Europe had adopted like measures, which were big with pacific results. Under ten years of the treaty, peace and confidence unknown before between France and England had grown up. Mr. COBDEN had proved his creed that every step towards free trade is a stride towards universal peace. Mr. BRIGHT continued in an appeal and warning to the workmen of Birmingham. Our prospective policy, the speaker said, is but little. The educational measures might come at the coming session, but this was uncertain. Retrenchment if agitated was sure, but necessarily tedious if wrong is avoided, for free breakfast tables are a strong advocate. He would bid all the nation bring their wholesome products in free, but he said this as a representative and not as a Minister. Free land within ten years would be the leading question. Alteration of the land laws without diminishing any man's wealth would do much to arrest pauperism. The speech was frequently interrupted by applause, and the orator resumed his seat amid a great expression of enthusiasm.

The Imperial Homicide in Paris—Prince Bonaparte's Account of the Tragedy—The Matter in the Corps Legislatif—A Menace from the Government.

PARIS, Jan. 11.—The city is greatly excited over the tragedy which occurred yesterday afternoon. Prince BONAPARTE's version of the unfortunate affair is furnished to the journals to-day by M. PAUL CASSAGNAC. He says the Prince made the following statement to him, on his honor:

"M. FONVILLE and M. VICTOR NOIR came to my residence with a menacing air, with their hands in their pockets, and presented a letter from M. PASCAL GROUSSETT. I said:

'It is ROCHEFORT and not his creatures that I seek.'

'Read the letter,' replied NOIR.

I had my hand on my pistol in my pocket.

'Are you responsible for it?' I asked.

At this I received a slap in the face from NOIR, when I drew my revolver and fired at him. FONVILLE crouched behind the chair, and from the protection that afforded aimed his revolver at me, but he could not get it to go off. I fired at him while in that position, when he ran out of the room. He stopped in the next room and again turned his pistol towards me. I fired at him again and he fled."...The *Journal Officiel* of this morning contains a decree convoking the Chambers, for the purpose of bringing action before the High Court of Justice, to decide upon the charge of homicide against Prince BONAPARTE. The Prince, belonging to the Emperor's family, the examination must be held before this Court. The *Journal*, in its account of the transaction, says that the Minister of Justice, as soon as he heard of the affair, ordered the arrest of the Prince, but five hours before the issuance of the order he had surrendered himself into the custody of the Commissioner of the Police of Auteuil, and had been taken to the Conciergerie.... At the sitting of the Corps Legislatif to-day, Count DE MORNY-DUVERNOIS proposed that members of the Imperial family be rendered amenable to law. He said he had no intention of creating trouble; he wished simply to do away with unlawful exceptions. M. HENRI ROCHEFORT referred in bitter terms to the murder of VICTOR NOIR. He said NOIR was one of the people, and the people should judge his murderer, who, though a cousin to the Emperor, must not be allowed to escape. M. OLLIVIER, in reply, promised that they should have justice. In the course of his speech he used these words: "We are justice, law, moderation; if you force us we will be power."....A communication from the Procureur Imperial was laid before the Chamber, demanding the arraignment of Deputy HENRI ROCHEFORT for outrage against the Emperor, and for exciting disorder and violence. The demand was referred to a committee....It is reported that M. OLLIVIER, with the approval of the Emperor, has issued orders permitting the free return to France of LEDRU ROLLIN and other persons in the same position....The office of the *Marseillaise* (HENRI ROCHEFORT's newspaper) has just been seized by order of the Government.

CUBA.

Fighting Near Puerto Principe—Insurgents Surrendering.

HAVANA, Jan. 11.—Numerous engagements between the Government troops and the insurgents are reported to have taken place near Puerto Principe and in the Cinco Villas district. The journals report that many of the insurgents are surrendering.

The Spanish Gunboats—Anxiety for Their Safety.

RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 11.—The following dispatch, received by the Spanish Consul in Norfolk yesterday, shows that the greatest anxiety is felt in regard to the safety of the last squadron of the Spanish mosquito fleet:

FORTRESS MONROE, Jan 10, 1870.

To Dumeas Robinson, Spanish Consul:

The Spanish steamship *Isabel Catolica* arrived here at 11 o'clock this morning, and reports that at 1 o'clock P. M. on the 9th the gunboats, thirteen of which she was convoying, were in sight. No. 22 asked for assistance at some distance from the rest, and in going to her we lost sight of the others and know nothing about them. This was the meeting place agreed upon. Telegraph to Cape Henlopen and see if they are there. COMMODORE REGALADO.

Up to 9 P. M. to-night nothing has been heard from the fleet, and whether they have been attacked by Cuban cruisers or have been lost by bad weather it is hard to say. Every effort on the part of the Consul has failed to discover the whereabouts of the fleet, and at present serious apprehensions as to their welfare are felt in Norfolk.

THE FREE LIST.

The Work of the Committee of Ways and Means—Articles Agreed on to be Exempt from Duty Thus Far.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 11.—The Ways and Means Committee are not likely to report the Tariff bill under a fortnight. The following is the free list as far as finally agreed upon to this date:

Arsenic; aconite root, leaf and bark; agaric; alkamet roots; alkenenje; albumen and lacterine; amber; ambergris; aloes; aniline oil; the sulphate and carbonate of ammonia; anatto and seed rolls, or extract; antimony; ore; argols, in crude state; asbestos, not manufactured; bamboos; quilla bark; Peruvian bark; Lima bark; cinchona bark; belladonna, root and leaf, free; bismuth; bromine; bitter apples, berries and nuts and vegetables for dyeing; bells and broken bell metal; bolting cloths; bower, crude and calcined, and bone ash for manufacture of phosphates and fertilizers; books, maps and charts, single copies and not for sale, and of which none are printed in the United States; burrstones, in rough or block, and not bound up into millstones; Brazil wood and logwood, and all other dye woods in sticks; bullion, gold and silver and unmanufactured platinum; buchu leaves; cadmium; calamus; citrate of lime; dragons blood; canella bark, and other barks not otherwise provided for; cantharides; castor and cutch; caigut, unmanufactured; cochineal; cumin seed; cudbear; coins and medals, imported as objects of taste and not for sale; collections of antiquity not for sale; chalk, unmanufactured; clay, unmanufactured; coral, in rough; corkwood, or bark, in rough; cotton, unmanufactured; cornelian, unmanufactured; cryolite, unmanufactured; cuttle-fish bone; diamond dust and rough diamonds; Dutch metal in leaf or powder; crude dyes not otherwise provided for; eggs; emery, ore or rock, not pulverized; Spanish grass; patent adhesive felt for ships' bottoms; fibrin, in all forms; firewood; fresh fish for immediate consumption; fish for bait; flint and ground flint stones; flowers and plants, and leaves and roots of various kinds, for medicinal purposes; Joalison plates; glass, broken in pieces and fit only for remanufacture; gambria; guano; goatskins; gums of twenty different kinds; crude gutta percha; horse hair used for weaving; hones and whetstones; indigo; indicaneed horn and horses' hide cuttings for glue stock; hemlock bark, and its extract; henbane leaf; iodine in crude state; ipecac; jalap; iridium; ice; india rubber, in crude state; ivory, in its crude state; jerget, unmanufactured; juniper and laurel berries; kelp and varrilla; lac, either seed, crude, stick, shell or dye; lava; lierepes; licorice root; lithograph stones, not engraved; litmus and all lichens; madder root; manuscripts; manures; manna; models of inventions; crude moss of all kinds; musk in crude state; nitrate of soda; nutgalls; nux vomica; oak bark; oakum and junk; orange and lemon peel; orchil in moss; lichil, cudbear, or cyanet; palm and palmetto leaf, not manufactured; palm and cocoa nut oil mother of pearl; Persian berries; personal land household effects; paintings and statuary, not brought in for sale; phosphates, plants, &c., imported by the Department of Agriculture; unground plaster of paris; platinum, vases or retorts for chemical use; plumbago, potash and pearlash in crude state; pumice stone; quassia wood; rags of all kinds, and paper, waste, fit only to be used in making paper; ratans and reeds; rhubarb; resins in crude; rose leaves; rotten-stone; saffron and its flowers; sarsaparilla, in crude; seaweed; sandal wood; seeds of caraway, carraway, coriander, fennel and others, for medical use; sonna, in leaves; shells, of every kind, for private keeping; raw silk; shrimps; sponges; squills; brimstone in crude state; tapioca; teazles; tamarinds; turtle; turtle fins; wild wood or potted wood ashes and lyes; all cabinet woods not manufactured, wormseed; oxalic and several other acids.

A very large proportion of the above-named articles now pay a tariff of various rates, but yield such small returns that the aggregate of the revenue from the whole number is only about $2,700,000. Putting them on free list, while it does not greatly reduce our revenues, goes far to simplify our system, and do away with needless vexations at the Custom House. The Committee have not finished the bill, and the probabilities are that a considerable number of other articles will be added to the free list before the report is made to the House.

EUROPEAN MAIL NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF THE UNION AND CITY OF PARIS.

The *Union*, from Bremen, *via* Southampton Dec. 28, and the *City of Paris*, from Liverpool, *via* Queenstown, Dec. 31, reached this port yesterday, with five days later news than was previously at hand.

The text of the Emperor NAPOLEON's letter to M. OLLIVIER runs thus: "Dec. 27.—Sir: Ministers having given me their resignation, I address myself with confidence to your patriotism in order to request you will designate the persons who can, in conjunction with yourself, form a homogeneous Cabinet, faithfully representing the majority of the Legislative Body and resolved to carry out in the letter as well as in the spirit the Senatus Consultum of the 8th of September. I rely upon the devotion of the Legislative Body to the great interests of the country as well as upon yours to aid me in the task I have undertaken to bring into regular working a constitutional system."

The "Petite Eglise," that is to say, the French clergy who refused in 1803 to submit to the Concordat, have just addressed to the Pope and the Council a petition and a memorial, setting forth the reasons for their conduct, and defend it. They ask the Council to recognize the justice of their resistance, and to protest against the act which constituted a violation of the immovability of the Episcopacy; they terminate by declaring themselves obedient and devoted sons of the Holy Father.

The loss of life, on Boxing Day, in front of the Bristol Theatre, was referred to in cable dispatches, and is now shown to have been caused by the trampling under foot of sixteen unfortunates by crowds rushing into the house as the doors were opened.

On the evening of Christmas Day a fire occurred in a house in Sandwich-street, Burton-crescent, London, in the course of which six persons were burnt to death—a young woman, the wife of a policeman, who had been but a few days delivered of a child, four of her children, and the daughter of a neighbor who had been spending the evening with them.

A communication from Toulon announces a grave accident in the Pyrotechnic School. Orders had been given to fix torpedos for the demolition of the arsenal-quay, and workmen were employed accordingly, when all at once a tremendous explosion took place, killing seven persons and wounding several others slightly.

The town and district of Mentesche, in the Province of Aidin, near Smyrna, had been laid waste by an earthquake, which also did great damage to Marmaritza and Mula, small villages in the vicinity.

Baron DE BOURGUENEY, the French diplomat is dead. He was Plenipotentiary in the Congress of Paris, and last held office as Viennese Ambassador.

The *Nazione*, of Florence, announces the death of Commander PIETRO TENERANI, a distinguished sculptor, born at Terano, near Carrara, in 1800. He was a pupil of CANOVA and THORWALDSEN.

The *Huvudnadsbladet*, of Finland, states that a painting by REUBENS, representing a "Descent from the Cross," has been discovered in the church of Elenas.

The Emperor of Russia and the King of Italy were announced to meet at Ancona, on Jan. 15.

The Anti-Council, recently dissolved in Rome, is to meet in September, in Switzerland.

Father HYACINTHE is reported engaged on an essay entitled *The Rôle of Religion in Democratic Societies.*

The death of Mr. CRESWICK, R. A., the well-known artist, is announced. He was aged 59 years.

A Socialist plot has been discovered in St. Petersburg.

THE ALABAMA.

Lord Clarendon on the American Claims—Excerpts from Dispatches to Minister Thornton.

In reply to the dispatch of Secretary FISH, which we published a few days ago, Lord CLARENDON has sent to Mr. THORNTON, British Minister at Washington, a number of annotations bearing upon all the points in dispute. The ground has often been traversed before, but we present a summary of Lord CLARENDON's leading objections to the Secretary's statements:

I.—Mr. FISH recapitulates the arguments previously used by Mr. SEWARD, as to the "precipitate recognition" of belligerent rights, which, he says, "appears in its having been determined on the 6th of May, four days prior to the arrival in London of any official knowledge of the President's proclamation of the 19th of April, 1861," and "signed on the 13th of May, the very day of the arrival of Mr. ADAMS, the new American Minister; as if in the particular aim of forestalling and preventing explanations on the part of the United States."

The facts are:

The President's proclamation of blockade was published April 19. Intelligence of its issue was received by telegraph (see the *Times*) on the 25 of May.

It was published in the *Daily News* and other papers on the 3d of May. Mr. SEWARD, in his dispatch to Mr. ADAMS of the 12th of January, 1867, says it "reached London on the 3d of May."

A copy was received officially from Her Majesty's Consul at New-York on the 5th; another copy from Lord LYONS on the 10th. It was communicated officially by Mr. DALLAS to Lord RUSSELL on the 11th, with a copy of a circular from Mr. SEWARD to the United States' Ministers abroad, dated the 20th of April, calling attention to it, and stating the probability that attempts would be made to "fit out privateers in the ports of England for the purpose of aggression on the commerce of the United States."

The reason of the delay in receiving the copy from Washington was in itself a proof of the existence of civil war, arising, as it did, from the communication between Washington and Baltimore being cut off in consequence of the Confederate troops threatening the capital.

Mr. FISH's dispatch states that the "assumed belligerency" was a "fiction," the "anticipation of supposed belligerency to come, but which might never have come if not thus anticipated and encouraged by the Queen's Government."

What are the facts? A large group of States, containing a population of several millions, and comprising a compact geographical area enabling them to act readily in concert, had established a *de facto* Government, with a President, Congress, Constitution, Courts of Justice, Army, and all the machinery of military and civil power. They possessed the ports along upward of 2,000 miles of coast, with the exception of Forts Pickens and Munroe all the Federal posts and forts had been evacuated, including Harper's Ferry, the arsenal of the Potomac Valley, Fort Sumter, the only one which had offered resistance, had fallen a month previously, April 13. The Confederate troops were in occupation of the Shenandoah lines, and threatening Washington. The Confederate President had declared war, and called for a levy of 32,000 troops, to which all the seceded States had responded promptly. On the other hand, the Federal President had called for 75,000 volunteers on the 15th of April, and for 42,000 more on the 3d of May, and as fast as the regiments could be armed they were hurrying to the defence of Washington. The contending armies were, indeed, face to face.

So much for the hostilities on land. The operations at sea, in which British interests were more directly affected, had been carried on with equal vigor. * * *

Could any explanation which Mr. ADAMS might have had to offer alter such a state of things as this? Can any other name be given to it than that of civil war?

It is stated that there was no fact of continued and flagrant "hostilities" to justify the action of Great Britain in issuing a proclamation of neutrality.

Mr. SEWARD, writing at the time, and previously to the Queen's proclamation (May 4,) characterized the proceedings of the Confederates as "open, flagrant, deadly war," "civil war" (Congress Papers, 1861, page 165,) and in a communication to M. DE TASSARA, the Spanish Minister, referred to the operations of the Federal blockade as belligerent operations which would be carried on with due respect to the rights of neutrals.

Judge BETTS, in the case of the *Hiawatha, &c.*, said, "I consider that the outbreak in particular States, as also in the Confederate States, was an open and flagrant civil war."

It was also judicially decided by the Supreme Court of the United States in the case of the *Amy Warwick* and other prizes, that "the proclamation of blockade is itself official and full proof." evidence that a state of war existed which demanded and authorized such a measure." Moreover, the joint resolution of Congress, in July, 1861, approving and confirming the acts of the President, ("North America, Nov. 1, 1862," page 57,) commences, "Whereas, since the adjournment of Congress on the 6th of May last, a formidable insurrection in certain States of this Union has arrayed itself in armed hostility;" and a resolution of the House of Representatives of the 22d of July, 1861, speaks of the "present deplorable civil war" and of "this war."

The British Government were compelled to take action of some sort; and that action really unfriendly. Was it intended to be unfriendly. On the contrary, as was stated by Mr. FORSTER in his speech at Bradford, it was absolutely pressed upon the Government by the friends of the Northern States, who were afraid lest Confederate privateers should be fitted out in British ports.

Nor was its immediate result injurious to the Federal States. Far from being so, it legitimized the captures of the blockading squadron, and, in the language of the Prize Court, "estopped" the British merchants, whose vessels were seized, from making reclamation.

The charge of premature recognition, on examination, reduces itself to this, that the proclamation ought not to have been issued until Mr. ADAMS arrived, or until some event called for it. Against this is to be set the fact that the proclamation was considered by some friends of the Northern States as a step taken in their interests, and that it was further pressed upon the Government by Mr. DALLAS' communication of Mr. SEWARD's circular. Moreover, Confederate privateers were at sea, and British vessels being made prizes by the Federal blockading fleet.

It is not going too far to say that the Confederates derived no direct benefit from the proclamation. Their belligerency depended upon the fact (a fact which, when we are told that the civil war left behind it two millions and a half of dead and maimed, is, unfortunately, indisputable) that they were waging civil war. If there had been no proclamation, the fact would have remained the same, and belligerency would have had to be recognized either on behalf of the Northern States, by admitting the validity of captures on the high seas for the carriage of contraband or breach of blockade, or on the arrival of the *Sumter*, or some similar vessel in a British port.

In no case can it be really supposed that the recognition of belligerency, which, unless neutral nations abandoned their neutrality and took an active part in the contest, was inevitable, materially influenced the fortunes of such a fearful and protracted civil war.

At all events, if it did, the Confederates never acknowledged it; the recognition of belligerency they regarded (as indeed was the case) as a right which could not be denied them. What they sought was not the mere technical title of "belligerents," but a recognition of independence; and, when they found that it was hopeless to expect England to accord it, they cut off all intercourse with this country, expelled Her Majesty's Consuls from their towns, and did everything in their power to show the sense which they entertained of the injury which they believed had been inflicted upon them. The result being that while one side has blamed us for doing too much, the other side has blamed us for doing too little, and thus an assumption of neutrality has been regarded both by North and South as an attitude of hostility.

II.—DISPATCH OF CONFEDERATE CRUISERS FROM BRITISH PORTS.

Any one who read the dispatch without any previous knowledge of the subject might suppose from the language used that fleets of privateers had been dispatched from British ports with the connivance, if not the direct support, of Her Majesty's Government:

"Great Britain * * * permitted armed cruisers to be fitted out," &c.

"The Queen's Government * * * * suffered ship after ship to be constructed in its ports to wage war on the United States."

"Many ships * * * were, with ostentatious publicity, being constructed."

"Permission or negligence which enabled Confederate cruisers from her ports to prey," &c.

"Great Britain alone had founded on that recognition a systematic maritime war." * * * "a virtual act of war."

"Suffering the fitting out of rebel cruisers."

The fact being that only one vessel, of whose probable intended belligerent character the British Government had any evidence, escaped—viz., the *Alabama*.

The *Shenandoah* was a merchant ship employed in the India trade under the name of the *Sea King*. Her conversion into a Confederate cruiser was not heard of until more than a month after she had left England.

The *Florida* was detained at Nassau on suspicion, but discharged by the local Admiralty Court, there being no evidence of her being anything but a blockade-runner. She was fitted out as a ship-of-war at Mobile.

On the other hand, the British Government prevented the outfit of the *Rappahannock*, prosecuted and detained the *Alexandra*, seized the Liverpool rams and stopped the *Pampero*, besides watching carefully every case of suspected outfit brought forward by Mr. ADAMS, and he complained of 19, as well as every case which could be discovered independently. Among other things, taking charge of Capt. OSBORN's Anglo-Chinese flotilla, which, it was apprehended, might fall into the hands of the Confederates, at a cost to this country of £100,000.

"The *Alabama*."—Mr. FISH speaks of the neglect of the officers of the British Government to detain Confederate cruisers, and especially the *Alabama*.

There was no neglect to detain the *Shenandoah* or *Georgia*, for the reason that neither the Government nor its officers knew they were being intended for the Confederate service. Indeed, it has never been proved that the persons who sold those vessels knew it. Probably they did, but a case might very readily arise in which the vendors might be really ignorant. The American Government could not have expected the English revenue officers to prevent every large steamer leaving England in ballast.

With regard to the *Alabama*, it is assumed "that the negligence of the officers of the British Government was gross and inexcusable, and such as indisputably to devolve on that Government full responsibility for all the depredations committed by her. Indeed, this conclusion seems in effect to be conceded in Great Britain. At all events, the United States conceive that the proofs of responsible negligence in this matter are so clear that no room remains for debate on that point; and it should be taken for granted in all future negotiations with Great Britain."

By a *petitio principii*, the whole argument is thus assumed to be in favor of the United States.

There is no doubt that the *Alabama* might, if she had not escaped at the moment when the case against her appeared to be legally established, have been seized and tried under the Foreign Enlistment act, though the result, looking to what occurred in the case of the *Alexandra*, might have been doubtful.

This, however, is a very different thing from admitting that her sale to the Confederates was a violation of British neutrality for which the nation is responsible. This was the first instance which occurred of the sale of a ship under such circumstances, and the British Government had, in fact, no suspicion of what was going to be done in the matter, no information having been received of an intention to take out her arms and crew in a separate vessel.

But it must be remembered that when Mr. FISH claims compensation for all her depredations, he should not overlook the fact of the negligence shown by the Federal Navy in twice letting her escape from them. First, when Mr. ADAMS urged that the Captain of the Federal ship, which at his instance had gone to Holyhead to look after her, to pursue her, when the the Captain refused, and went off to his station at Gibraltar instead—a proceeding at which Mr. ADAMS expressed the greatest indignation, (see *Congress Papers*, 1862, page 1,591;) and, secondly, when the United States' ship *San Jacinto* blockaded her in the French port of St. Pierre, and Martinique, and then suffered her to slip away at night from under her bows.

III.—SUPPLIES FURNISHED TO THE CONFEDERATES BY BRITISH SUBJECTS.

Mr. FISH states that the Confederates had no ships, no mechanical appliances, no open seaports, &c., and implies that the maritime force of the Confederates was entirely derived from England.

The *Sumter*, *Nashville* and *Florida*, however, all sailed from Confederate ports, in which they were armed and fitted out, besides a variety of small coasting privateers, such as the *Tallahassee*, whose captures form a considerable item in the list of Federal maritime losses lately presented to Congress.

On the land it was in like manner the munitions of war and the wealth drawn by the insurgents from Great Britain which enabled them to withstand, year after year, the arms of the United States.

If, as Mr. FISH states, the Confederates had no open seaports, how did these munitions and arms reach them?

Either the blockade was inefficient, in which case it was illegal, and neutral nations were not bound to respect it, or it was inefficient, as it was recognized by Great Britain to be, and the supply of arms, &c., was hazardous and uncertain.

IV.—INDIRECT INJURY TO AMERICAN COMMERCE.

"Indirectly, the effect was to increase the rate of insurances in the United States, to diminish exports and imports, and otherwise obstruct domestic industry and production, and to take away from the United States its immense foreign commerce and to transfer this to the merchant vessels of Great Britain."

Mr. FISH proceeds to quote figures, showing the decrease in American tonnage between 1860 and 1866.

This allegation of national, indirect, or constructive claims, was first brought forward officially by Mr. REVERDY JOHNSON, in his attempt to renew negotiations on the Claims Convention in March last (*North America*, *No.* 1, 1869, page 46.)

Mr. THORNTON has shown the difficulty there would be in computing the amount of claim even if it were acknowledged, (*North America*, No. 1, 1869, page 53,) in a dispatch in which he mentions the continual decrease of American tonnage.

This is partly, no doubt, to be ascribed to the disturbance of commercial relations consequent on a long war, partly to the fact that many vessels were nominally transferred to British owners during the war to escape capture. Sir E. HORNBY, in a recent report, states that this was a constant practice in China.

Is not, however, a good deal of it to be attributed to the high American tariff, which makes the construction of vessels in American ports more expensive than shipbuilding in England, and high freights in exchange a proportion of the carrying trade into English hands?

There must be some such cause for it, or otherwise American shipping would have recovered its position since the war instead of continuing to fall off.

"Neither in the events which preceded that war, (of 1812,) "nor in the events of the war itself, did the United States suffer more," &c.

The Contest for the Control of the Ninth National Bank—Election of Officers.

The annual election of the Board of Directors of the Ninth National Bank took place yesterday at the office of the bank, No. 363 Broadway. Unlike the generality of bank elections, when there is usually little or no opposition, there was a hard contest for the controlling power of the bank funds. Mr. JOSEPH U. ORRIS, who is at present Manager of the National Life Assurance Company of America, and was President of the Ninth National up to 1867, headed the ticket of a party of the stockholders who are averse to having real estate expenditure. They claim that by the statement of the Directors, dated Jan. 3, 1870, the surplus funds is $935,000, and the amount expended on real estate is $347,445. The estimated cost of the building on Broadway, between Lispenard and Canal streets, is $600,000, so it will therefore take close upon $400,000 of deposits to make up the necessary funds. Early in December, the present Board of Directors proposed to raise the capital $1,000,000, inorder to carry out their building intentions. The election was ultimately decided in favor of the Vyse ticket. There was a lengthy war of words over the proxy of a certain lady, which both parties laid claim to, and the election was interspersed with a series of those little mistakes which required rectifying by both parties. An injunction, granted by Judge BARBOUR, was served on Mr. VYSE to prevent him voting on 1,300 proxies which Mr. ORVIS claimed were only intrusted to Mr. VYSE by him, some two years ago, for safe keeping. At the close of the polls it was announced that VYSE had received 6,846 votes, and ORVIS 1,918. The Vyse ticket, comprising Thomas A. Vyse, Jr. President; Barnet L. Solomon, William A. Kobbe, J. O. Whitehouse, George A. Fellows, James Dayton, John Q. Preble, George C. Colburn, Clement S. Parsons, composed the newly-elected Board of Directors. About nine-tenths of the entire amount of stock was voted. The elected ticket hold personally 1,398 shares, while the defeated one held 416 shars. The new Board of Directors have elected Mr. JOHN T. HILL Cashier of the bank.

Albany and Susquehanna Railroad Case.

It is often difficult through the medium of a newspaper to present the facts of a case in controversy so as to enable readers to see exactly the legal right of a given case, but some propositions are so manifest that they need but be stated to be understood.

In the Susquehanna controversy the resort to force, with which to get possession of the road, failed, and the controversy was sent to the appropriate forum, the Courts, for settlement.

A place of trial remote from the scene of strife was selected, and a Judge long preëminent for learning, industry and purity of character was named to preside at the trial, and thus to all a decision as to what was the real right of the controversy seemed to be assured, and whatever any of the parties may assert, the public must assume that until reversed by due course of legal proceedings, the judgment of this tribunal is the law of the land.

The trial opened with an effort by the Fisk-Courter-Gould party through three days to get further delay, then the trial occupied about two weeks more, and this was followed by two weeks given to the examination of the voluminous testimony by Judge SMITH, and in the preparation of his able and elaborate opinion as to the merits of the case.

This was the decision of the case, and nothing remained to be done but the preparation of the formal findings and the entry of judgment. This may be done by any one, and no injustice can result to the defeated party so long as the findings and judgment are according to the opinion. Any party may appeal from this judgment who feels aggrieved by it, and nothing in the form of practice upon the entry of this judgment can prejudice an appeal and review of any questions that are involved in the case.

It is not usual to have the parties notified and attend upon the settlement of the findings, unless there is some matter of detail on which the Judge desires to hear them further. Judge SMITH felt it his duty to do it, and he decided against the Fisk-Courter-Gould party. After a month's labor he arrives at this conclusion, and directs judgment to be entered, whereupon Judge BARNARD, four hundred miles away, by an *ex parte* order, commanded that judgment should not be entered. Trials will be useless if Courts and Judges who hear the testimony and try causes are to be stopped in deciding a cause by a Judge that did not try the cause or hear the testimony. But this stay was served too late; judgment had been entered, and instantly upon its entry Receiver BANKS was thereby superseded, and the Ramsey directors became the legal managers of the road, and, as was their imperative duty, they entered upon the discharge of the trust.

Then Judge BARNARD, instead of deferring to his brother Judge, who had just gone through a protracted trial to ascertain what was right, grants another *ex parte* order staying all proceedings upon the judgment entered until the hearing of a motion noticed for the last Monday of this month, at Rochester, to set aside the judgment. It is not pretended in these papers but that Judge SMITH, through the Press, gave his opinion to the public Friday morning, and that after that his findings and judgment were written out and entered in strict accordance with that opinion, or that any injustice had been done if the conclusions expressed by the Judge in his opinion were correct. We are left to conjecture as to the objects of this new shower of stays.

Others had been cruelly arrested by the fiat of Judge BARNARD, and this new and sudden outburst of orders from that source put Receiver BANKS in terror; and the Ramsey directors, having taken possession of the road, instituted the summary proceedings authorized by law before Judge PECKHAM, and in pursuance of his order Mr. BANKS delivered up to the rightful custodians the books and papers of the Company, and this is followed by an appeal by FISK & CO. from the judgment entered upon Judge SMITH's decision.

This was quick work—the opinion was published on the morning of the 31st ult., and all these proceedings were had before the evening of the 1st inst.

All this is followed now by a new motion in the Fisk interest, noticed for the 17th inst., at Albion, Orleans County, to set aside the judgment, not because the judgment is not entered in exact conformity with the decision of the Court, but is apparently founded upon a certificate of MARTINDALE, BARRET, FIELD and PARKER, four of FISK's lawyers, and the affidavit of one THOMAS G. SHEARMAN, as follows: "We have examined the opinion of Mr. Justice E. DARWIN SMITH in this cause, and that in our judgment it is in every material part erroneous, either in fact or in law."

This last movement certainly has the merit of being new—that when a party gets beat in a lawsuit he should move to set the judgment aside, and found that motion upon the certificate of his lawyers that in their opinion the decision is wrong. Lawyers are generally so confident that their clients are right that few judgments would stand if the unsuccessful may avail themselves of such a proceeding to set them aside. General MARTINDALE attempts in his letter some unbecoming allusions or insinuations as to the conduct of the Judge; and Deputy Attorney-General HAMMOND, who has lately become considerably conspicuous in the Fisk interest, in his affidavit attempts some remote and irrelevant flings at Judge PECKHAM and Counselor HALE; but two of these stand too high as Judges, and the other as a lawyer, and all as gentlemen, to render any attempt to refute these statements necessary or even proper.

As the matter now stands, all are bound to assume that the Ramsey directors are right. This must stand and will stand as the law until Judge SMITH's decisions shall be reversed.

If FISK & Co. think they are right, let them go on with their appeal and review Judge SMITH's decision. This is their privilege. But this system of *ex parte* orders and stays should now end, if not, our Courts are a burlesque and their judgments a farce.

Obedience to the Courts is a duty resting upon all, whatever may be their interests and whatever may have been their views.

It is idle to longer attempt to keep this road, that so much needs it, from the care of a Board of Directors. If in any event it should be finally adjudged that the present is not the legal Board, they are abundantly able to respond for their stewardship.

Therefore let the disorderly proceedings we have lately witnessed as to this road now forever cease, and let us all try and forget what it will doubtless be very unpleasant for many to remember.

New-Orleans Market.

NEW-ORLEANS, Jan. 11.—COTTON active at 21¼c. for Middling; sales 8,000 bales; receipts 6,038 bales; exports to Bremen, 2,094 bales. FLOUR scarce and firmer at $5 30@$6 25. BRAN, $1 30. HAY, $27. PORK, $29 25. LARD firmer at 17c.@17¾c. for tierce, and 18c.@19c. for keg. Other articles unchanged. GOLD, 121¾. Sterling EXCHANGE, 10¼. New-York Sight EXCHANGE, ¼ ₱ cent. discount.

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MARRIED.

JOYNT—JONES.—In this City, on Tuesday, Jan. 11, by Rev. Isaac H. Tuttle, OREN JOYNT to ISABELL JONES, both of this City.

DIED.

ABBOT.—At Orange, N. J., on Monday, Jan. 10, MARY WADE, infant daughter of Abiel and Alice M. Abbot.

BRYANT.—At Hempstead, L. I., on Monday, Jan. 10, Mr. LLOYD BRYANT, aged 70 years.

The funeral will take place from his residence at Hempstead, this Wednesday, at 10½ o'clock.

BANTA.—On Monday, Jan. 10, SILVIA BANTA, in the 79th year of her age.

The friends of her family are invited to attend the funeral at the Moravian Church, Staten Island, on Wednesday next, at 12 o'clock.

BRIGGS.—At Westchester, on Sunday, Jan. 9, EUSTATIA, wife of Peter Briggs, Jr., aged 37 years, 11 months and 18 days.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

Yesterday the Exchange Rooms resounded once more with the energetic calls of rival auctioneers, and sales were made at three stands simultaneously, a large crowd having gathered to see the unwonted spectacle. The principal sale was that of MULLER, WILKINS & Co., who disposed of a large amount of property on Second-avenue and Fifty-fourth and Fifty-fifth streets, under the direction of Sheriff O'BRIEN. This property consisted of a square 200x300, divided into twenty-twe lots, ten of which lie on the avenue and six on each of the cross streets. The entire square was sold about twenty-two months ago by BRYAN LAWRENCE to JOSEPH M. KORNER for the sum of $91,250, and as disposed of yesterday, lot by lot, brought $96,150. This does not show a profitable advance, considering the taxes and expenses to which the investment has been subjected. Four lots on the avenue were struck off to THOMAS DUFFY, and the balance of 18 lots were bought by Mr. A. MARSHALL. The lot on the lower corner brought $6,800, and those on the avenue, lying betweenthese, varied from $5,000 to $5,400 each, while the lots on Fifty-fourth-street sold for $3,200 and $3,400, and those on Fifty-fifth-street, for $3,500.

A. J. BLEECKER, SON & Co. offered a house and lot on West Forty-fourth-street, about midway between Fifth and Sixth avenues. The house was brick, three stories high, with modern conveniences. It was stated that $18,500 was offered for the property a year ago, and that two similar houses adjacent rented for $1,200 each. The bidding was not very brisk and the house and lot were struck down at $11,400.

D. M. SEAMAN sold a lot, with a three-story frame cottage, brick basement, situated on One Hundred and Tenth-street, 480 feet west of Third-avenue, for $7,400. The lot was 20x100.11, and the house 20x32, said to be well built and in good order. Mr. SEAMAN also sold two lots, each with a three-story brick house upon it, in Flushing-avenue, between Hampden and Canton streets, Brooklyn. Each lot was 18x97, and each house 18x45, arranged for one family on each floor. These houses and lots brought $5,585 apiece.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

NEW-YORK.

By Adrian H. Muller, P. R. Wilkins & Co.

1 lot n. w. corner of 2d-av. and 54th-st., 20.5x80	$8,100
1 lot w. s. of 2d-av., 20 ft. n. of 54th-st., 20x80	5,200
3 lots w. s. of 2d-av., 40.5 ft. n. of 54th-st., each 20x80, each	5,000
1 lot s. w. corner of 2d-av. and 55th-st., 20.5x80	7,800
1 lot s. w. corner of 2d-av. and 55th-st., 20x80	5,400
1 lot w. s. of 2d-av., 20.5 ft. s. of 55th-st., 20x80	5,200
1 lot w. s. of 2d-av., 40.5 ft. s. of 55th-st., 20x80	5,250
2 lots w. s. 2d-av., 60.5 ft. s. of 55th-st., each 20x80, each	5,400
1 lot n. s. 54th-st., 80 ft. w. of 2d-av., 20x100.5	3,300
5 lots n. s. 54th-st., 100 ft. w. of 2d-av., each 20x100.5, each	3,500
4 lots s. s. 55th-st., 80 ft. w. of 2d-av., each 20x100.5, each	3,500
2 lots s. s. 55th-st., 160 ft. w. of 2d-av., each 20x100.5, each	3,525

By A. J. Bleecker, Son & Co.

House and lot No. 51 West 44th-st., n. s., 16.8x100 11,400

By D. M. Seaman.

Cottage and lot n. s. 110th-st., 480 ft. w. of 3d-av., 20x100.11 $7,400

BROOKLYN.

By D. M. Seaman.

2 houses and lots s. s. Flushing-av., 40 ft. e. of Canson-st., each 18x97, each $5,585

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Columbia-st., w. s., 150 ft. n. of Stanton-st., h. and l., 25x100 $30,000

East Broadway, n. s., 211 ft. e. of Montgomery-st., h. and l., 59.5x21.2 14,000

23d-st., n. s., 164 ft. e. of 8th-av., h. and l., 20x98.9 45,800

27th-st., n. s., 145 ft. w. of 1st-av., h. and l., 16.4x98.9 15,000

31st-st., s. s., 275 ft. e. of 9th-av., 20x98.9 2,068

36th-st., s. s., 275 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x98.9 4,250

38th-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of 2d-av., 75x—, h. and l. 60,000

38th-st., s. s., 175 ft. e. of 2d-av., 18.9x98.9, h. and l. 4,350

38th-st., s. s., 275 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x98.9 4,500

38th-st., s. s., 400 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x98.9 4,250

38th-st., s. s., 200 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x98.9 4,250

38th-st., s. s., 300 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x98.9 4,000

40th-st., n. s., 289 ft. w. of 1st-av., 16x100.5, h. and l. 22,000

42d-st., n. s., 220 ft. w. of 2d-av., 19.6x100.5 10,000

58th-st., s. s., 25 ft. e. of 4th-av., h. and l., 20x100.5 nom.

60th-st., s. s., 186.8 ft. n. of 3d-av., 20x100.5, h. and l. 34,000

61st-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Lexington-av., h. and l., 20x100.5 nom.

40th-st., n. s., 305 ft. e. of 4th-av., 100x100.5 40,000

73d-st. and 10th-av., n. e. corner, 76.8x100 22,000

112th-st., s. s., 225 ft. e. of 3d-av., 15x100.10 1,875

124th-st., n. s., 187 ft. w. of 2d-av., 20x100.11 17,000

Lexington-av., w. s., 20.5 ft. n. of 61st-st., 20x65 25,000

Nagle-av., indefinite, 199.10x400 15,000

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Dean-st., n. s., 312.6 ft. e. of New-York-av., 37.6 x114.5 $20,600

Hopkins-st., s. s., 350 ft. e. of Tompkins-av., 18x100 7,000

Hopkins-st., s. s., 300 ft. w. of Tompkins-av., 20 x100 8,000

Kosciusko-st., s. s., 225 ft. w. of Tompkins-av., 3.10x120.4 200

Linden-st., n. w. s., 125 ft. n. e. of Evergreen-av., 190x225 30,000

Monroe-st., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Franklin-av., h. and l., 25x100 11,000

Seeley and Middle sts., n. w. corner, 100x243.2x100x238.7 3,630

Seeley st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of Middle-st., 100x247x100x243 3,100

Wright-place, n. w. s., 110 ft. n. e. of Throop-av., h. and l., 20x100 4,700

48th-st., s. s., 402 ft. e. of 7th-av., 25x100 300

Foster-av. and 2d-st., n. e. corner, 75x100 500

Fosterav., n. s., 75 ft. e. of 2d-av., 25x100 280

Gates-av., n. s., 140 ft. w. of Yates-av., 20x100 7,000

Graham-av., e. s., 75 ft. n. of Remsen-st., 25x100 4,750

Heyward-av., s. s., 284 ft. e. of Lee-av., 19.6x100, h. and l. 8,000

Hudson-av., w. s., 94.5 ft. s. of Dean-st., 40x100 700

Norman-av., n. s., 75 ft. w. of Leonard-st., 25x100 1,500

Portland-av., e. s., 453 ft. n. of Lafayette-av., h. and l., 22x100 18,000

Wyckoff-av., e. s., 175 ft. s. of Fulton-av., 25x100 540

QUEENS COUNTY.

Newtown.

East River, adjoining Polhemus', 4 acres $14,000

Central-av., n. s., 60 ft. e. of 5th-av., 25x100 400

Ridgewood-av., e. s., 126.9 ft. s. of Railroad-av., 25x100 200

Summit-av., s. s., 100 ft. e. of Chicago-av., 300x100 2,080

Lots Nos. 1 and 2, map J. L. Leverick's property 475

Flushing.

Farrington-st., e. s., 248 ft. n. of Myrtle-av., 50 x125 $300

Hempstead.

Clinton-st., w. s., adjoining Plains, 9 acres, Clowes' $2,480

Port Washington.

C-st., n. s., adjoining Thompson's, 100x100 $700

Middle Village.

Pullis-av. and Williamsburg Pike, n. e. corner, 25x100 $60

Woodside.

2d-st., e. s., between Woodside and River avs., 25x100 $300

Oyster Bay.

Farmingdale to Mannetto Hill road, w. s., h. and 12 acres $2,000

Cedar Island, 14 acres, salt meadow

RICHMOND COUNTY.

Northfield.

North-av. e. s., adjoining C. Van Pelt's, indefinite $750

Middleton.

Beach-st., near Richmond road, 50x125 $626

Same property 1,800

Richmond.

Green-av., (Northfield,) adjoining W. A. Rose', 80x150 $325

Southfield.

Lots Nos. 47 and 48, C. Gignoux's map, 100x50x57. $200

WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

Westchester.

Duncombe-av., n. w. s., 467 ft. from Elliott-av., 150x200 $2,000

Yonkers.

Kingsbridge road, n. s., lot 55, Darke property. $500

Rivers' le-av., 215 ft. e. of, adjoining Jno. Tighe's, 40x78 400

NEW-JERSEY.

Newark.

Hays-st., w. s., 180 ft. from Dark-lane, 30x69.4 $2,050

Kearney-st., s. s., 307 ft. from Summer-av., 30.10x118.7 2,500

Vanderpool-st., n. s., 125 ft. from Halstead-av., 75x100 1,500

Lamson-alley, n. s., adjoining lot No. 11, 11x31.3 300

16th-av., corner Bergen-st., 27.6x100 500

Miller-st., n. s., 125 ft. from Frelinghuysen-av., 25x100 500

Orange-st., n. s., 216 ft. from Gold-st., 22x100 850

Thompson-st., w. s., 166 ft. from Orange-st., 25x100 2,000

Perry-st., n. s., 150 ft. from Willet-st., 26x100 300

Belleville.

Newark main road, w. s., adjoining L. Coyman's, 20x150 $3,000

Daly's property, 6 27-100 acres 3,000

Clinton.

Myrtle-av., w. s., opposite Clinton Cottages, 200 x250 $13,000

Milburn.

Edward Feely's, indefinite lot $3,200

Orange.

N. w. corner on burying ground, 75x150 $15,000

Jersey City.

Railroad-av., n. s., 156 ft. w. of Jersey-av., lot No. 8 $3,480

Bergen.

Grove-st., lots 59, 60, block 12, Claremont, 100x100 $2,275

Hudson City.

Summit-av., w. s., 80 ft. n. of Sherman-place, 50 x100 $4,500

Summit-av., e. s., 80 ft. n. of Sherman-place, 50 x100

Scott-st., n. s., 500 ft. w. of Union-place, 25x100 800

Lots Nos. 17, 18, block No. 5, Heaps & Weber map 1,000

Union.

6th-st., e. s., lot No. 1,199, block No. 4, 25x100 $200

Kearney.

Boyd-st., n. s., 300 ft. from Kearney-av., 51x100 $300

Greenville.

Lots Nos. 1 and 2, Richard Van Riper's estate $4,000

CITY REAL ESTATE.

HOUSES FOR SALE.—PARTIES CONTEMPLATING PURCHASING are requested to examine the new and elegant block of houses on the west side of Madison-av. 42d and 43d sts. Full particulars can be obtained by applying to the owner, CHARLES DUGGIN, Architect, No. 161 Broadway.

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PRESIDENT DES MOINES VALLEY RAILROAD,
NO. 19 BROAD-ST.

FOR SALE—AT MONTCLAIR, BLOOMfield, N. J., a property of 33 acres, with a good residence, splendidly situated, near present M. and E. R. R., and nearer to proposed Midland Railroad Depots. The location and lay of the land is such that it is capable of being inexpensively and excellently laid out in building plots, offering a rare chance for a profitable investment. Price and particulars by A. D. MELLICK, Jr., & BRO., No. 6 Pine-st., New-York.

FOR SALE—AT MORRISTOWN, N. J., ON South-st., a most desirable residence, with thirteen rooms and attic, bathroom, water closet, hot and cold water, gas, barn, icehouse, complete garden and fruit trees. For further particulars apply to RANDOLPH BROS., No. 111 Trinity Buildings, Broadway, New-York, or THEODORE AYRES, Real Estate Agent, Morristown, N. J.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE—A FRUIT farm of forty-five acres, rolling land and good soil, finely situated on north side Long Island, twenty-five miles from Brooklyn; constant communication by railroad and steamboat; good dwelling, two large barns, nearly new; large henhouse and inclosed hennery, young thrifty orchard, strawberries, blackberries, &c., &c. Apply to ADAM C. LEACH, No. 41 Beaver-st., New-York.

ORANGE, N. J.—VILLAS, VILLA SITES and farms, a great variety, beautifully situated one hour from N. Y., for sale low. Also, country seats and houses to let for the season, or year, by BLACKWELL & SMITH, 320 Broadway, N. Y., 9 to 11 A. M.; Orange, corner Main and Cone sts., 1 to 5 P. M.

WISCONSIN FARM, COMPLETE. 120 acres; $2,000 on credit or lease. W. WETMORE, No. 205 Schermerhorn-st., Brooklyn.

DWELLINGS TO LET.

FIFTH-AVENUE.—TO LET OR LEASE.—The five four-story, first-class marble-front houses, Nos. 30x76, lot 100 feet, on the east side of 5th-av., between 57th and 58th sts.; a very desirable location, being in full view of the Central Park and grand circle. Apply to WM. & E. A. CRUIKSHANK, No. 55 Broadway.

STORES, &C., TO LET.

TO LEASE.
New corner store, Mercer-st., 25x96.
New houses, 83d-st., near 4th-av., 12.9x50.
New cottages, 107th-st., near Boulevard, 22x31.
Offices, No. 240 Broadway.
Apply to W. R. MORGAN,
No. 12 Washington-place.

TO RENT—THE SPACIOUS IRON FRONT stores, Nos. 488, 490, 492 Broadway, corner Broome-st. For particulars apply to E. V. HAUGHWOUT & CO., on the premises, or to ABNER L. REY, No 22 Pine-st.

OFFICE TO LET.—TWO FRONT ROOMS on the second floor of No. 2 New Chambers-st. Inquireon the premises of LEXOW & VOIGT, or of W. L. CONKLIN, No. 18 4th-av.

TO BUSINESS MEN.—TO LEASE FOR 10, 20 or 30 years, on very favorable terms, a valuable property on Bond and Great Jones sts., 24½x200 feet. Apply at No. 26 Bond-st.

TO LET—VERY DESIRABLE OFFICES IN the first-class marble-front building No. 4 Warren-st., only ninety feet from Broadway; water, gas, &c. Apply to JOHN LLOYD & SONS, No. 7 Warren-st.

TO LET—THE THREE LOFTS OF STORE No. 6 Broadway. Apply at No. 192 Broadway of PETER A. H. JACKSON.

HOUSES & ROOMS WANTED.

WANTED—BY A RESPONSIBLE PARTY, a modern three-story house, fully and neatly furnished, for a private boarding house, between 3d and 6th avs., and 12th and 23d sts.; price not to exceed $250 per month; full particulars given on no attention paid. Address L., Box No. 146 *Times* Office.

WANTED—AN ENTIRE FLOOR, FURNISHed, with private table, by a gentleman, wife and one child; 34th-av. preferred. Address, with full particulars, Box No. 1,988 New-York Post Office.

WANTED—TO HIRE A SMALL HOUSE, with all the modern improvements, between 14th and 30th sts.; rent not to exceed $600 to $1,000. Address B., Morrisania, Westchester County, N. Y.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

A FARMER WANTS TO LOCATE A PIECE of land in Southern Michigan, or Northern or Western part of Illinois. Address, Box No. 37, Closter, Bergen County, New-Jersey.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

MORRIS WILKINS, Auctioneer.

SALE IN PARTITION, BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT, OF VALUABLE BUSINESS PROPERTY ON 6TH-AV., BROOME AND WOOSTER STS.

E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on TUESDAY, Jan. 18, 1870, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, N. Y., under the direction of Charles H. Van Brunt, Esq., Referee: 6TH-AV.—The valuable plot of ground, with buildings, known as Nos. 192 and 193, being together about 36.8x95 feet.

BROOME AND WOOSTER STS., (southwest corner)—Lot, with frame buildings, known as No. 55 Wooster-st., and Nos. 483 and 485 Broome-st.; size, 18.4x75 feet.

WOOSTER-ST.—Valuable lot, with buildings, No. 147 Wooster-st., near Houston-st. 20x100 feet.

Sixty per cent. may remain on bond and mortgage.

Maps at the auctioneers' office, No. 3 Pine-st., N. Y.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, Auctioneer.

AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE PROPERTY ON 45TH-ST., by order of the Supreme Court.

ADRIAN H. MULLER, P. R. WILKINS & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, Jan. 13, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, by order of the Supreme Court, under the direction of Henry Bents, Esq., receiver.

45TH-ST.—The four lots of land, with the buildings thereon, situate on the north side of 45th-st., commencing 100 feet west of 10th-av. The improvements consist of a three-story brick house, 25x40 feet, on one of the lots; a three-story brick factory, 40x80 feet, well and substantially built, with fire-proof ceilings, on the rear of two of the lots; and a two-story brick stable and office on the westerly lot. Lots each 25x100.4.

Maps at the office of the auctioneers, No. 7 Pine-st.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The undersigned having been for the last forty years a full, equal and senior partner of the lately dissolved firm of A. BININGER & CO., established in 1778, and having commenced anew next door below the old stand, under the firm name of A. BININGER CLARK & SON, (Successor,) have been restrained by Judge Gilbert, of the Supreme Court of New-York, from using my BAPTISMAL name of BININGER, also the name of SUCCESSOR. I would hereby inform the public that for the present and until my name Biningar be restored to me by Judge Gilbert, I shall do business in the Wine, Liquor and Fine Family Grocery trade, under the name and title of ABRAHAM B. CLARK & SON, No. 98 Liberty-st.

DISSOLUTION.

The copartnership heretofore existing under the firm of BENNET & KLEMEN, real estate and insurance agents, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Mr. ORVILLE G. BENNET will continue the business at No. 57 Cedar-st., and is alone authorized to sign in liquidation. ORVILLE G. BENNET,
JAN. 10, 1870. MARTIN KLEMEN.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 1, 1870.

MR. JOHN W. ELLIS, (LATE PRESIdent of the First National Bank of Cincinnati,) has this day been admitted a partner in our firm. We shall continue the regular banking business as heretofore. WINSLOW, LANIER & CO.,
No. 2 Pine-st.

THE FIRM OF QUINEY & LAPSLEY is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

GEO. A. QUINEY,
SAML. W. LAPSLEY.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1870.

THE UNDERSIGNED RESUMES THE butter, cheese and produce business at No. 309 Front-st., succeeding WM. A. KEELER.
JAMES B. KEELER.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 1, 1870.

MR. HENRY F. SEWALL, WHO has heretofore signed for us by procuration, is today admitted as a partner in our house.
GRINNELL, MINTURN & CO.

NEW-YORK, Jan. 1, 1870.

MR. THOMAS MILLER IS ASSOCIated with me from this date. The firm name will be ALEX. D. NAPIER & CO.
ALEX. D. NAPIER.

JAN. 1, 1870.

WILLIAM A. HAINES, JR., AND JOHN K. MYERS, JR., are this day admitted partners in our firm.
HAINES & CO.

JAN. 1, 1870.

FINANCIAL.

THE

FIRST MORTGAGE BONDS

OF THE

Chicago, Danville and Vincennes RAILROAD.

Total amount to be issued	$9,500,000
Capital Stock paid in	2,100,000
Estimated Cost of Road (140 miles)	4,500,000
Estimated Earnings per annum	2,629,200
Net Earnings per annum	979,765
Interest on the Loan per annum	175,000
Amount of Bonds per mile of Road	16,000
Amount of Interest per mile	1,250
Amount of Net Earnings per mile	6,984

The Bonds follow the completion of the Road—have the Union Trust Company of New-York as their Official Register and Transfer Agent—and are sold at present at 95 and accrued interest.

They bear examination and comparison better, it is believed, than any other now before the public, in the fixed and unchangeable elements of *Safety, Security, and Profit.*

They bear good interest—Seven per cent. Gold for forty years—and are secured by a *Sinking Fund*, and First Mortgage upon the road, its outfit, and net income, the Franchises, and all present and future acquired property of the Company.

They depend upon no new or half-settled territory for business to pay their interest, but upon an old, well-settled, and productive country;—assuming that a railroad *built* through the heart of such a region offers better security for both *Interest* and *Principal* than a road *to be built* through the most highly-cultivated wilderness or sparsely-settled territory.

This Railroad possesses special advantages, in running into and out of the City of Chicago, an important Railroad and Commercial Centre; in running through a line of villages and old farming settlements in the richest portion of the State of Illinois; in running near to deposits of Iron Ore of great extent and value, and over broad fields of the best coal in the State—which mining interests are its monopoly. And besides the local and other business thus assured, there will be attracted to this road the considerable traffic already springing up "From the Lakes to the Gulf;" as with its Southern Connections it forms a Trunk Line 45 miles shorter than any other route from Chicago to Nashville.

These Bonds are therefore based upon a Realty and a Business that a few years must inevitably double—and competent judges say treble—in value.

Governments selling while the price is High, pay well if put into these Bonds, and Trust or Estate Funds can be put into NOTHING BETTER.

Pamphlets, with Maps, &c., on hand for distribution.

Bonds may be had directly of us, or of our advertised Agents.

W. BAILEY LANG & CO., Merchants,
No. 14 CLIFF-ST., NEW-YORK.

Agents for the sale of the Bonds.

SOUTHERN CENTRAL RAILROAD

OF NEW-YORK.

FIRST MORTGAGE

THIRTY-YEAR SEVEN PER CENT.

CONVERTIBLE SINKING FUND BONDS.

FOR SALE BY

VERMILYE & CO.,

BANKERS,

NOS. 16 AND 18 NASSAU-ST., NEW-YORK.

A SEVEN PER CENT. GOLD LOAN.

$6,500,000.

The Kansas Pacific Railway, now in successful operation from Kansas City to Sheridan, proposes to build an extension to Denver, Colorado, for which the Government has granted Three Millions of Acres of the finest lands in Kansas and Colorado, which are mortgaged for the security of a loan of

$6,500,000.

This loan is secured in the most effectual manner. It represents a road in profitable operation, and will open the trade of the Rocky Mountain country, and connect it with the great markets of the East. It is considered to be one of the best loans in the market, EVEN BETTER IN SOME RESPECTS THAN GOVERNMENT SECURITIES.

The loan has thirty years to run, principal and interest payable in gold, semi-annually, Bayou per Cent.

The coupons will be payable semi-annually in either Frankfort, London or New-York, and will be free from Government taxation. The bonds for the present are sold in currency at 93, with accrued interest.

Circulars, maps and pamphlets sent on application.

DABNEY, MORGAN & CO.,
NO. 53 EXCHANGE-PLACE, N. Y.

M. K. JESUP & COMP'Y,
NO. 19 PINE-ST., N. Y.

DREXEL, WINTHROP & CO.,
NO. 18 WALL-ST.,
Issue letters of credit for
TRAVELERS,
Available in all the principal cities of Europe, through
DREXEL, HARJES & CO.,
NO. 3 RUE SCRIBE, PARIS.

BOWLES BROTHERS & CO.,
BANKERS,
Paris, No. 12 Rue de la Paix; New-York, No. 19 William-st.; Boston, No. 78 State-st.
Issue bills on Paris and the Union Bank of London in sums to suit; also circular letters of credit for travelers, available throughout the world. Letters to their care for travelers registered on receipt and delivery.
Agents for the *Times* in Europe.

LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER,
BANKERS,
No. 10 Wall-st.
Orders for the purchase, sale and negotiation of STOCKS, BONDS AND GOLD promptly executed.
LEONARD, SHELDON & FOSTER.

BROWN BROTHERS & CO.,
NO. 59 WALL-ST.,
Issue COMMERCIAL and TRAVELERS' CREDITS AVAILABLE in all PARTS of the WORLD.

THE FOLLOWING NOTICE HAS been sent to the President of the Stock Exchange by the Philadelphia and Reading Railroad Company:

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12, 1869.

To the President of the Stock Exchange, New-York:

SIR: To comply with the third article of your by-laws, I hereby give you notice of our intention to issue $5,000,000 of convertible seven per cent. bonds, free of taxes, which we have negotiated at par, without commissions. One-half of said bonds are convertible at any time after their issue, and the other half after Jan. 1, 1872.

The purchasers are required to take the bonds as follows, viz.:

1,000,000 January, 1870. } Convertible after issue.
1,000,000 July 15, 1870.
1,000,000 Jan. 15, 1871.
1,500,000 in 1871 and 1872, as required, on 60 days' notice. } Convertible after Jan. 1 1872.

The object of this issue of bonds is to provide the means to complete several branch roads in course of construction, to provide additional rolling stock and the necessary consequent enlargement of workshops, wharves for the shipment of coal, new engine houses, sidings, &c.

I beleave the foregoing information is in strict conformity with your by-laws. Very respectfully,
(Signed) FRANKLIN B. GOWEN, President.

OFFICE OF CONSOLIDATION COAL CO. OF MD., }
NO. 71 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 4, 1870. }

IN CONFORMITY TO THE CHARTER of the annual meeting of the Stockholders for the election of President and Directors, and the transaction of other business, will be held at noon on Wednesday, the 19th of January, 1870, at the office of the Company, No. 71 Broadway, in the City of New-York, and the books of said Company will be closed on the polls will be kept open for one hour. The transfer books will be closed on Jan. 10, and remain so until after the election.

JAMES S. MACKIE, Vice-President.

UNION TRUST COMPANY OF NEW-YORK, }
NO. 73 BROADWAY, CORNER OF RECTOR-ST., }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 7, 1870. }

AN ELECTION FOR TEN TRUStees of the Union Trust Company of New-York, of the second class, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 73 Broadway, on TUESDAY, Jan. 18, 1870, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 P. M.

C. T. CARLTON, Secretary.

SOUTH GEORGIA AND FLORIDA RAILROAD COMPANY'S First Mortgage Seven Per Cent Bonds, indorsed by the State of Georgia, and both principal and interest guaranteed by the Atlantic and Gulf Railroad Company, by which the former road is leased for

fifty-eight miles in length, and the entire issue of the bonds is but $500,000. For sale by
M. K. JESUP & CO., No. 19 Pine-st.

BROADWAY INSURANCE COMPANY, }
NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1869. }

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company will be held at its office, No. 158 Broadway, on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 19, 1870, between the hours of 12 M. and 1 o'clock P. M.

JOHN WRAY, Secretary.

12½ PER CENT. INTEREST—CHEAPest securities in the market.

UNION PACIFIC LAND GRANT BONDS,
bearing 7 per cent. (currency) interest. FOR SALE at 58½ and accrued interest. These bonds are taken at par in the purchase of the Company's lands.
CORNELL & STANTON, No. 32 Broad-st.

FINANCIAL.

EIGHT PER CENT. BONDS

OF THE COUNTIES OF GRUNDY AND MERCER,

STATE OF MISSOURI.

INTEREST PAYABLE JANUARY AND JULY, IN NEW-YORK, AT

NATIONAL BANK OF COMMERCE.

TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS HAS BEEN ISSUED BY EACH COUNTY, AND CONSTITUTES THEIR ENTIRE INDEBTEDNESS.

WE ARE AUTHORIZED TO OFFER THE REMAINDER OF THESE BONDS AT 76 AND ACCRUED INTEREST. WE BELIEVE THEM TO BE THE CHEAPEST FIRST-CLASS SECURITY ON THE MARKET.

FURTHER PARTICULARS FURNISHED BY APPLICATION AT OUR OFFICE.

JOHNSON & DAY,
BANKERS,
NO. 80 BROADWAY.

GOLD INVESTMENTS.

BANKING HOUSE OF

HENRY CLEWS & CO.,

NO. 32 WALL-ST.

We offer upon favorable terms the following gold-bearing loans:

SEVEN PER CENT.

GOLD BONDS
AT 95,

FREE OF GOVERNMENT TAX,

ISSUED BY THE

Burlington, Cedar Rapids and Minnesota Railroad Company,

FIRST MORTGAGE AND CONVERTIBLE,
AND PROTECTED BY A
LIBERAL SINKING FUND.
INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD AT NEW-YORK OR LONDON.
PRINCIPAL PAYABLE IN COIN IN FIFTY YEARS.

These Bonds at present price yield over 80 per cent. more interest than United States 6-20s, while the security is an equally safe investment.

These Bonds are only issued upon each section of the road as fast as the same is completed and in successful operation. Over two and a half millions of dollars have been expended on the road. Eighty-three miles are nearly completed and equipped, and already show large earnings; and the remainder of the line is rapidly progressing towards completion.

The State of Iowa, through which this road runs, is one of the richest agricultural sections in America. Its large population, extending with surprising rapidity, and its immense yield of grain, pork, wool and all other agricultural products, create a pressing demand for the construction of this road, which affords the best possible guarantee for the bondholders, especially as the line runs through the wealthiest and most thickly-populated section of the State.

The road also runs through the rich and growing State of Minnesota. Reference to the map of the United States will show that it traverses the most enterprising and growing portion of the West, and forms one of the great trunk lines in direct communication with New-York, Chicago and St. Louis, being to the latter city 90 miles nearer from Northern Iowa and all portions of the State of Minnesota than by any other road now built or projected, and also the nearest route from Central and Southern Iowa.

The road is opened for local traffic as rapidly as constructed, and thus RECEIVES EARNINGS ON ITS COMPLETED SECTIONS SUFFICIENT TO PAY THE INTEREST UPON ITS BONDS BEFORE THE ROAD IS FINISHED. The buyer of these Bonds is, therefore, guaranteed, by a great business already in existence on the route of the road, as well as by new current earnings, and has not to risk any of the contingencies which always attend the opening of roads into new and unsettled country.

A limited quantity only of these Bonds are now offered at 95.

EIGHT PER CENT. GOLD BONDS
OF THE
SELMA, MARION AND MEMPHIS RAILROAD COMPANY,
INDORSED BY THE STATE OF ALABAMA.

These Bonds are payable, principal and interest, in coin, and are a FIRST MORTGAGE of $16,000 per mile upon FINISHED AND COMPLETED ROAD, being issuable upon each section only when completed.

SIX PER CENT. GOLD BONDS
OF THE
BRUNSWICK AND ALBANY RAILROAD COMPANY OF GEORGIA,
PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST PAYABLE IN GOLD; GUARANTEED by the STATE OF GEORGIA, RUN FORTY YEARS; are a FIRST MORTGAGE of $15,000 per mile of constructed road, and are issued only as the road is fully completed and accepted by the State.

After a thorough investigation of the above enterprises, we recommend these bonds as first-class investments, affording absolute safety, and paying an unusually liberal rate of interest. All marketable securities at their full price received in payment.

HENRY CLEWS & CO., Bankers,
No. 32 Wall-st.

COLLECTIONS.

Howes & Macy, Bankers,

(The same as an Incorporated Bank,)

NO. 30 WALL-ST., NEW-YORK,

Have unusual facilities for making Collections on any part of the Union or Canada, with immediate Returns, at the very lowest Current Rates.

4 PER CENT. ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS

MACOUPIN COUNTY 10 PER CENT. BONDS.

HOWES & MACY, BANKERS,
NO. 30 WALL-ST.,

Offer for sale at par and accrued interest Bonds of Macoupin County, Ill., issued for the building of a court house, bearing interest at the rate of 10 per cent. per annum, (being the lawful rate of the State of Illinois.)

COUPONS PAYABLE SEMI-ANNUALLY,

ON THE 1ST OF APRIL AND OCTOBER IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.

These bonds are regarded as first-class in every respect, and very desirable for investors.

OFFICE OF WELLS, FARGO & COMPANY, }
NO. 64 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Dec. 28, 1869. }

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the transfer books of Wells, Fargo & Company will be closed on the 19th day of January, 1870, at 3 o'clock P. M., to enable the Directors to ascertain who are owners of the stock of the old Ten Million Capital. The owners of that stock will be entitled to participate in the distribution of assets provided for by the agreement with the Pacific Mail Steamship Company.

The transfer books will be opened on the 22d day of January, at 10 o'clock A. M., after which time the $5,000,000 new stock will be delivered.

Notice is also given that the transfer books of this Company will be closed on the 26th day of January, 1870, at 3 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of holding the annual election for Directors of this Company. The books will be reopened on the 7th day of February, at 10 o'clock A. M.

GEORGE K. OTIS, Secretary.

NATIONAL SHOE AND LEATHER BANK, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 11, 1870. }

AT THE ANNUAL ELECTION of Stockholders of this bank, held this day, the following-named gentlemen were elected Directors for the ensuing year:

A. V. STOUT,
E. V. HAUGHWOUT,
THOMAS CARLTON,
J. B. DICKINSON,
MATTHEW BIRD,
N. T. PORTER,
JAMES L. STEWART,
SAMUEL HOLMES,
G. S. MOULTON,
W. W. HUNTINGTON,
WM. SULZBACHER,
SAMUEL W. HASS,
E. F. HUTTON,
CHARLES SPEAR,
CHARLES S. BAYLIS.

At a subsequent meeting of the Directors, A. V. STOUT was reelected President, and N. T. PORTER Vice-President, both unanimously.

J. M. CRANE, Cashier.

OFFICE OF THE WILKINS BARRE COAL AND IRON COMPANY, }
NO. 80 BROADWAY, NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1870. }

THE ANNUAL MEETING of the stockholders of the Wilkins Barre Coal and Iron Company, for the election of Directors and transaction of such other business as may be presented, will be held at the office of the Company at Wilkins Barre, Penn., on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 26, at 11 o'clock A. M. The polls will close at 1 o'clock P. M.

Transfer books will be closed from the 18th to the 27th inst., both days inclusive.

By order,
S. M. WILLIAMS, Secretary, pro tem.

OFFICE OF THE SARDINE MANUFACTURING COMPANY, }
NO. 110 BOWERY, }
NEW-YORK, Jan. 10, 1870. }

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Gardner Manufacturing Company will be held at the office of the Company on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 19, 1870, at 2 P. M., for the purpose of electing a Board of Trustees, to serve for the ensuing year. Respectfully,
JOHN BOWMAN, Secretary.

NOTICE OF ELECTION—THE PLYmouth Gold and Silver Mining Company of Montana.—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this Company for the election of nine trustees and three inspectors of election will be held at the office of Messrs. Howard & Co., No. 48 Wall-st., on WEDNESDAY, the 19th day of January

SHIPPING.

ONLY DIRECT LINE TO FRANCE.

THE CENTRAL TRANSATLANTIC COMPANY'S MAIL STEAMSHIPS BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND HAVRE CALLING AT BREST.

The splendid vessels on this favorite route for the Continent will sail from Pier No. 50 North River as follows:

LAFAYETTE.....ROUSSAN..SATURDAY, Jan. 22
PEREIRE.....Besson..SATURDAY, Feb. 5
VILLE DE PARIS.....Surget..SATURDAY, Feb. 19
ST. LAURENT.....LEMARIE..SATURDAY, Mar. 5

Rates of passage payable in gold, (including wine,) TO REST OR HAVRE, First cabin, $140; second cabin, $75.
TO PARIS, including railway ticket, $145 and $78.
These steamers do not carry steerage passengers.

American travelers going to or returning from the Continent of Europe, by taking the steamers of this line, avoid both transit by English railways and the discomforts of crossing the Channel, besides saving time, trouble and expense.

GEO. MACKENZIE, Agent, No. 53 Broadway.

CUNARD LINE.

THE BRITISH AND NORTH AMERICAN ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIPS, BETWEEN NEW-YORK AND LIVERPOOL, CALLING AT CORK HARBOR.

Java, Wednesday, Jan. 19 | Manhattan, Thurs'y, Jan. 27
Alcppo, Thursday, Jan. 13 | Russia, Wednesday, Feb. 2
Cuba, Wednesday, Jan. 19 | Palmyra, Thurs'y, Feb. 3
Samaria, Thurs'y, Jan. 20 | Nemesis, Wednes'y, Feb. 9
Calabria, Wed'sd'y, Jan. 26 | Tripoli, Thursday, Feb. 10

RATES OF PASSAGE.

By the Wednesday steamers, not carrying steerage.
First Cabin....$130, gold. Second Cabin....$80, gold.
First Cabin, to Paris.....$145, gold.

By the Thursday Steamers.
First Cabin....$80, gold. Steerage....$30, currency.

Steerage tickets from Liverpool and Queenstown and all parts of Europe at lowest rates.

Through bills of lading given for Belfast, Glasgow, Havre, Antwerp and other ports on the Continent, and for Mediterranean ports.

For freight and cabin passage apply at the Company's office, No. 4 Bowling-green.

For steerage passage at No. 111 Broadway, Trinity Building. CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.

PASSENGERS PER STEAMSHIP PJAVA embark from the Cunard Wharf foot of Grand-st., Jersey City, at noon on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 12. CHAS. G. FRANCKLYN, Agent.
No. 4 Bowling-green, New-York.

FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Inman Line of Mail Steamers are appointed to sail as follows:

CITY OF PARIS.....Saturday, Jan. 15, 1 P. M.
CITY OF BROOKLYN....Saturday, Jan. 22, 9 A. M.
CITY OF BOSTON, (via Halifax,)
Tuesday, Jan. 25, 12 M.

And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.

RATES OF PASSAGE

BY THE MAIL STEAMER SAILING EVERY SATURDAY.

PAYABLE IN GOLD.		PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
First Cabin	$100	Steerage	$35
To London	105	To London	40
To Paris	115	To Paris	45

PASSAGE BY THE TUESDAY STEAMER, VIA HALIFAX.

FIRST CABIN. PAYABLE IN GOLD.		STEERAGE. PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.	
Liverpool	$80	Liverpool	$30
Halifax	20	Halifax	15
St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer	45	St. John's, N. F., by Branch Steamer	30

Passengers also forwarded to Havre, Hamburg, Bremen, &c., at reduced rates.

Tickets can be bought here at moderate rates by persons wishing to send for their friends.

For further information apply at the Company's Office. JOHN G. DALE, Agent,
No. 15 Broadway, New-York.

STEAM TO GLASGOW AND LONDONDERRY.

THE ANCHOR LINE,

Favorite Clyde-built passenger Steamers are intended to sail as follows:

COLUMBIA.....Jan. 15 | CAMBRIA.....Feb. 5
EUROPA.....Jan. 22 | IOWA.....Feb. 12
INDIA.....Jan. 29 | CALEDONIA.....Feb. 19

and each SATURDAY thereafter, from Pier No. 20 North River, at 12 o'clock noon.

RATES OF PASSAGE PAYABLE IN CURRENCY.

Cabins, to Liverpool, Glasgow or Derry, $80 and $75. Excursion tickets, good for 12 months, $140.
Steerage, to Glasgow or Derry, $30; intermediate, $35. Prepaid Certificates from those ports, $37.
Passengers booked to and from Hamburg, Havre, Rotterdam, Antwerp, &c., at very low rates.
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For further information apply on the steamers, foot of Dey-st., or at the Company's offices, No. 7 Bowling-green, New-York. HENDERSON BROTHERS.

FOR LIVERPOOL,
VIA QUEENSTOWN,
CARRYING THE UNITED STATES MAILS.

THE LIVERPOOL AND GREAT WESTERN STEAM COMPANY will dispatch one of their first-class powerful screw iron steamships from PIER NO. 46 NORTH RIVER, EVERY WEDNESDAY,

as follows:

MINNESOTA, Captain PRICE....Jan. 12, at 1½ P. M.
IDAHO, Captain CUTTING.....Jan. 19, at 7½ A. M.
NEVADA, Captain GREEN.....Jan. 26, at 2 P. M.
COLORADO, Captain WILLIAMS..Feb. 2, at 8 A. M.
NEBRASKA, Captain GIBARD....Feb. 9, at noon.
MANHATTAN, Captain FORSTER..Feb. 16, at 3 P. M.

Cabin passage, $80 gold.
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NATIONAL LINE.

STEAM TO LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN, From Pier No. 47 North River.

THE QUEEN, Thompson, Saturday, Jan. 22, at 8 A. M.
DENMARK, Forbes, Saturday, Jan. 29, at 1 P. M.

Passage to Liverpool or Queenstown: Cabin, $100 and $80; Steerage, $30, currency.

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Apply at the Company's office, No. 69 Broadway.
F. W. J. HURST, Manager.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY'S
THROUGH LINE TO
CALIFORNIA AND CHINA.
FREIGHT AND PASSAGE GREATLY REDUCED.

Through rates, New-York to San Francisco:
First Class. Steerage.
$193 to $170. $60.
according to location of berth.

These rates include berths, board and all necessaries for the trip.

Steamers of the above line leave Pier No. 42 North River, foot of Canal-st., at 12 o'clock noon,

ON 5TH AND 21ST OF EACH MONTH,

except when those days fall on Sunday, then the day previous.

One hundred pounds of baggage free to each adu lt Medicine and attendance free.

JAN. 21—ALASKA, Captain GRAY, connecting with GOLDEN CITY, Captain LAPIDGE.

Steamer AMERICA will leave San Francisco Feb. 1, 1870, for China and Japan.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

For reduced rates of freight apply on wharf. Freight for steamer ALASKA received until 4 P. M. on THURSDAY, Jan. 20. All usual facilities afforded shippers in collecting inland charges, &c.

For freight, passage tickets, and all further information, apply at the Company's ticket office, on the wharf foot of Canal-st. F. R. BABY, Agent.

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UNITED STATES AND BRAZIL MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

REGULAR MAIL STEAMERS sailing on the 23d of every month:

MERRIMACK, Capt. WIER, Jan. 23.
SOUTH AMERICA, Capt. TINKLEPAUGH, Feb. 23.
NORTH AMERICA, Capt. SLOCUM, March 23.

These splendid steamers sail on schedule time, and call at St. Thomas, Para, Pernambuco, Bahia and Rio de Janeiro, going and returning. For engagements of freight or passage, apply to
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
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FOR NASSAU, N. P.

CARRYING THE ROYAL MAILS.

Atlantic Mail S. S. Co.'s steamer MORRO CASTLE, Captain ADAMS, Jan. 27, at 3 P. M., from Pier No. 4 North River.

For freight or passage apply to
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New-York and Mexican Mail Steamship Line—Sailing every twenty days, from Pier No. 17 East River, at 12 noon. The splendid new steamers
CITY OF MEXICO, Capt. DEAKEN, Thursday, Jan. 13.
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For freight or passage apply to
F. ALEXANDRE & SONS. No. 23 Broadway.

UNITED STATES MAIL TO HAVANA.

ATLANTIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY, Sailing regularly every THURSDAY, at 3 o'clock P. M., precisely, from Pier No. 4 North River.

COLUMBIA, Capt. E. VAN SICE.....Jan. 13
EAGLE, Captain M. R. GREENE.....Jan. 20

MORRO CASTLE, Capt. R. ADAMS, via Nassau, Jan. 27

For freight or passage apply to
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FOR SAVANNAH, GA.,
AND THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST.

GREAT SOUTHERN FREIGHT AND PASSENGER LINE STEAMSHIPS, AND CENTRAL RAILROAD OF GEORGIA.
GREAT REDUCTION IN PASSENGER RATES TO ALL POINTS IN THE INTERIOR.

FOUR STEAMERS A WEEK,
TUESDAY, THURSDAY AND SATURDAY.

THE STEAMSHIPS
GENERAL BARNES, Captain MALLORY,
THURSDAY, Jan. 13, from Pier No. 36 North River, at 3 P. M.
LIVINGSTON, FOX & CO., Agents,
No. 88 Liberty-st.

SAN JACINTO, Captain ATKINS, SATURDAY, Jan. 15, from Pier No. 8 North River, at 3 P. M.
WM. R. GARRISON, Agent,
No. 5 Bowling-green.

HUNTSVILLE, Captain CROWELL, SATURDAY, Jan. 15, from Pier No. 13 North River, at 3 P. M.
R. LOWDEN, Agent,
No. 98 West-st.

VIRGO, Captain BULKLEY, TUESDAY, Jan. 18, from Pier No. 16 East River, at 3 P. M.
MURRAY, FERRIS & CO., Agents,
No. 52 and 54 South-st.

FOR CHARLESTON, S. C.,

THE FLORIDA PORTS, THE SOUTH AND SOUTHWEST—REGULAR LINE.

The sidewheel steamship MAGNOLIA, M. B. CROWELL, Commander, will sail
THURSDAY, Jan. 13, 1870, at 3 P. M.,
from Pier No. 5 North River, foot of Rector-st.

Rates of passage—Charleston, $15.
Through bills of lading to all points South and Southwest.

Agents in Charleston (Ravenel & Co.) forward all goods free of commission. Insurance effected at this office at one-half of one per cent.

ARTHUR LEARY, Agent, No. 73 William-st.
The steamship SARAGOSSA will follow Jan. 20.

TARGETT'S EMIGRATION AND PASSENGER AGENCY.—EXCHANGE OFFICE.—Passage from Liverpool and Queenstown weekly, by first-class steamships. Also from Liverpool and London, by Regular Sailing Packets weekly. Drafts for £1 and upward, available in any part of Great Britain and Ireland, at the lowest rates. TARGETT BROTHERS & CO., No. 58 South-st., New-York.

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ST. DOMINGO STEAM LINE,
FOR PORTO PLATA, SAMANA AND ST. DOMINGO CITY.

The regular mail steamer
THEA,
Captain E. A. DELANOY,
will leave for the above ports on WEDNESDAY, Jan. 19, at 12 o'clock noon, precisely.

EXCURSION TICKETS for the voyage, out and home, which includes board on the vessel while in the above ports, $160, gold.

Parties wishing to visit a milder climate during the Winter and Spring months will find this a most eligible opportunity. Hotel accommodations at St. Domingo City can be had at "Mons. Auguste's" at $5, gold, per day.

Price of passage to Porto Plata, gold.....$70
Price of passage to Samana and St. Domingo, gold.. 80

For freight or passage apply to
STOFFORD, TILESTON & CO.,
No. 29 Broadway.

FOR MOBILE.
VIA FERNANDINA ROUTE.

THE FLORIDA RAILROAD COMPANY WILL DISPATCH THE
FIRST-CLASS STEAMSHIP
CATHARINE WHITING,
Captain HOWES,
On THURSDAY, Jan. 13, from Pier No. 29 North River, at 3 P. M. Cargo delivered without lighterage at Mobile.

Is now receiving. Has elegant passenger accommodations.

Insurance guaranteed at one and a half per cent. to Mobile.

Through Rates and Bills Lading given to Selma, Montgomery, and all points in the interior at LOWER RATES than any other line.

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J. F. PATTERSON, Agent, No. 177 West-st., or to
R. H. DRUMMOND & CO., No. 94 Wall-st.
Mobile Agents, A. J. INGERSOLL & CO.

NOTICE TO TRAVELERS.

Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, who can afford the expense of a courier, should never leave Paris without one; their services are invaluable in relieving the traveler from multiplicity of cares and troubles respecting passports, examination and conveyance of luggage; in securing the best accommodation, in protecting the traveler from imposition, and an infinity of annoyances to which they are exposed in various parts of the Continent. Competent and trustworthy couriers and traveling servants may always be obtained by applying to the COURIER SOCIETY, No. 3 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

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Fare always as low as by any other line.
The new and elegant Side-wheel steamers
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Capts. Wm. H. JONES and GEO. B. HULL,
From Pier No. 32, foot of Jay-st., North River, at 4 P. M.,
Arriving ahead of all other lines.

Tickets and state-rooms secured at No. 2 Astor House, and at Dodd's Express office, No. 944 Broadway. D. S. BABCOCK,
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Via Fall River, touching at Newport.
WINTER ARRANGEMENTS.
The splendid steamers
NEWPORT AND OLD COLONY,
Commander LEWIS, Commander SIMMONS,
leave daily (Sundays excepted) at 4 P. M., from Pier No. 30, North River, foot of Chambers-st.

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FOR BRIDGEPORT, AND ALL points on Housatonic and Naugatuck Railroads.—Fare $1. Steamers leave Catharine-slip at 12 noon.

FOR NEW HAVEN, HARTFORD, &c.—Fare $1 25. Steamers leave Peck-slip for New Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

RAILROADS.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.

Trains leave 30th-st. as follows:
8:00 A. M., Cincinnati and Chicago express, drawing-room cars attached.
10:30 A. M., day express, drawing-room cars attached.
4:00 P. M., Montreal express, drawing-room cars attached.
6:30 P. M., Pacific express, with sleeping cars through to Chicago without change, via D. L. & W. R. R. and M. S. R. R., (daily.)
11:00 P. M., night express, sleeping cars attached.
7:00 A. M., 2:30 and 5 P. M., Poughkeepsie trains.
9:00 A. M., 4:15 and 5:30 P. M., Peekskill trains.
1:00 and 3:45 P. M., Spring Sing trains.
6:40, 7:20, 9:10 A. M., 12 M., 3, 4:25, 5:10, 7 and 11:20 P. M., Yonkers trains.
(9:00 A. M. to Poughkeepsie Sundays.)
Nov. 15, 1869. J. M. TOUCEY, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE Depots at foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st., as follows:

Through Express trains leave Chambers-st. at 8 A. M., 10 A. M. and 6:30 P. M., (daily;) leave 23d-st. at 7:45 A. M., 9:45 A. M., and 6:15 P. M. (daily.) New and improved Drawing-room Coaches will accompany the 8 A. M. train through to Buffalo, connecting at Hornellsville with magnificent Sleeping Coaches through to Cleveland and Galion. Sleeping Coaches will accompany the 10 A. M. train through from Susquehanna to Buffalo, and the 6:30 P. M. train to Rochester, Buffalo and Cincinnati. An Emigrant train leaves daily at 6 P. M.

For Port Jervis and Way, 4:30 P. M., (23d-st. 4:15 P. M.,) Orange County Express, (Sundays excepted,) connecting for Warwick, Montgomery, Guilford, Pine Island and Unionville.

For Middletown and Way, at 3:30 P. M., (23d-st. 3:15 P. M.)

For Otisville and Way at 8:30 A. M. daily, (23d-st. 8:15 A. M.)

For Newburg and Way at 8 A. M., 2:30 and 4:30 P. M., (23d-st. 7:45 A. M., 2:15 and 4:15 P. M.)

For Suffern and Way, 5 P. M. and 6 P. M.; (23d-st 4:45 and 5:45 P. M.) Theatre train, 11:30 P. M., (23d-st 11 P. M.)

For Paterson and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 6:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 11:45 A. M., 1:45 P. M., (daily,) 3:45 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 6:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 12 M., 1:45 P. M., (daily,) 4 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M.

For Hackensack and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 6:45 A. M., 9:15 A. M., 2:45 P. M., 5:15 P. M. and 6:45 P. M. From Chambers-st. Depot, at 9 A. M., 12 M., 4 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 6 P. M. and 6:45 P. M.

For Piermont, Monsey and Way, from 23d-st. Depot, at 9:45 A. M., 12:45 P. M., 4:15 P. M., 5:15 P. M., 6:45 P. M., *8:15 P. M., and Saturdays only *12 midnight. From Chambers-st. Depot at 9 A. M., 1 P. M., *3:30 P. M., 4:15 P. M., 5 P. M., *8:30 P. M., and Saturdays only *12 midnight.

Tickets for passage and for apartments in Drawing Room and Sleeping Coaches can be obtained, and orders for the checking and transfer of baggage may be left at the Company's offices, Nos. 241, 349 and 957 Broadway, corner 13th-st. and 3d-av., Harlem; No. 338 Fulton-st., Brooklyn; depots foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st., New-York; No. 3 Exchange-place and Long Dock Depot, Jersey City, and of the agents at the principal hotels.

* To Piermont only.
L. D. RUCKER, Gen'l Sup't. WM. R. BARR, Gen'l Pass'r Ag't.

SOUTH SIDE RAILROAD OF LONG ISLAND.—Winter Arrangement.—On and after Oct. 25 the trains will leave the Roosevelt and Grand-st. Ferries as follows: 8:45 A. M., mail and passenger for Patchogue; 10 A. M., for Merrick; 3:30 P. M., express to Patchogue; 4:30 P. M., accommodation for Islip, on Saturdays through to Patchogue; 6:30 P. M. for Merrick, on Saturdays through to Babylon. All trains connect at Valley Stream, except the Merrick late and early trains.
C. W. DOUGLAS, Superintendent.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

CORPORATION NOTICE.—PUBLIC Notice is hereby given to the owner or owners, occupant or occupants of all houses and lots, improved or unimproved lands, affected thereby, that the following assessments have been completed and are lodged in the office of the Board of Assessors for examination by all persons interested, viz:

First—For laying Nicolson pavement in Fiftieth-street, from First-avenue to the East River.

Second—For laying Nicolson pavement in Fifty-first-street, from Fifth to Sixth-avenue.

Third—For layiner Nicolson pavement in Fourteenth-street, from Eighth to Ninth-avenue.

Fourth—For laying Belgian pavement in Forty-first-street, from Sixth to Eighth-avenue.

Fifth—For laying Belgian pavement in West Washington-place, from Fourth-street to Sixth-avenue.

Sixth—For building sewer in One Hundred and Thirty-first-street, from Fifth to Sixth-avenue.

The limits embraced by such assessment include all the several houses and lots of ground, vacant lots, pieces and parcels of land situated on,

First—Both sides of Fiftieth-street, from First-avenue to the East River, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Second—Both sides of Fifty-first-street, from Fifth to Sixth-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Third—Both sides of Fourteenth-street, from Eighth to Ninth-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Fourth—Both sides of Forty-first-street, from Sixth to Eighth-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets.

Fifth—Both sides of West Washington-place, from Fourth-street to Sixth-avenue, to the extent of half the block on the intersecting streets; the southerly side of Fourth-street, from Washington Square East and Sixth-street, and the northerly side of Fourth-street, between Barrow-street and Sixth-avenue.

Sixth—Both sides of One Hundred and Thirty-first-street, from Fifth-avenue; the westerly side of Fifth-avenue, and the easterly side of Sixth-avenue, between One Hundred and Thirtieth and One Hundred and Thirty-first streets.

All persons whose interests are affected by the above-named assessments, and who are opposed to the same, or either of them, are requested to present their objections in writing, to Emanuel B. Hart, Chairman of the Board of Assessors, at their office, No. 19 Chatham-street, within thirty days from the date of this notice.

EMANUEL B. HART,
RICHARD TWEED,
THOMAS R. ASTEN,
RICHARD M. HENRY,
Board of Assessors.

OFFICE BOARD OF ASSESSORS,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 3, 1870.

DEPARTMENT OF TAXES AND ASSESSMENTS,
No. 23 CHAMBERS-ST.,
NEW-YORK, Jan. 5, 1870.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL persons that the assessment rolls of the real and personal estate of the City and County of New-York, for the year 1870, will be open for inspection and revision on and after MONDAY, the 10th inst., and will remain open until the 30th day of April, 1870, inclusive, for the correction of errors and the qualification of the assessments of the aforesaid real and personal estate of the City and County of New-York. All persons believing themselves to be aggrieved must make application to the Commissioners during the period above mentioned, in order to obtain the relief provided by law.

GEO. E. ANDREWS,
W. E. KING,
NATHANIEL SANDS,
THOS. J. CREAMER,
Commissioners of Taxes and Assessments.

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SAFES! SAFES!! CLEARING OUT SALES!!!

For the next fifteen days the entire stock of LILLEY'S Burglar and Fire-Proof Safes will be sold at cost for cash. No. 8 Park-place.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS cook; understands cooking in all its branches; can make all kinds of soups and desserts; has the best of City references. Can be seen for two days at No. 228 8th-av., near 22d-st.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT DRESSmaker and seamstress, a few more engagements to go out in private families, by the day or week; is an excellent cutter and fitter of ladies' and children's dresses, and suits and trims in the latest styles; serves on Wheeler & Wilson's machine and a few others; satisfactory references if required. Call or address DRESSMAKER, No. 225 East 12th-st., first floor.

WANTED—BY A LADY TO PROCURE A situation for her laundress, who is a very fine flutter and ironer; would assist in a small family with light chamberwork. Can be seen at present employer's, No. 17 West 23d-st., between the hours of 10 A. M. and 1 P. M.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable Protestant girl as chambermaid and waitress and to assist with the washing and ironing, or do housework for a small family; has good City reference. Can be seen at No. 229 East 22d-st., third floor, back room, No. 15.

WANTED—A HOUSEKEEPER'S SITUAtion by a steady respectable Scotch Protestant woman in a hotel or widower's family; no objection to the country; has good references. Can be seen at No. 109 4th-av., second floor, and will work for the interest of her employer.

WANTED—A SITUATION TO DO GENERAL housework by a smart, capable girl; is a good cook, an excellent washer and ironer, an economical, respectful and neat servant; best references given. Call at No. 121 Atlantic-st., Brooklyn. City or country.

WANTED.—A LADY IS DESIROUS OF finding a good place for a faithful, honest and trustworthy woman, as nurse and seamstress, or to wait on a lady; no objection to travel; can take the entire charge of a baby from its birth. Call at No. 294 4th-av., one door from 22d-st.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT PROTESTant young woman, a situation as cook in a private family; understands all kinds of cooking; is a good bread and biscuit maker; has no objection to assist with the washing. The best of City reference given. Call at No. 96 3d-av.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WIDOW woman a situation as infant's nurse, or nurse to an invalid; would make herself willing and obliging; has first-class City reference. Call or address, for two days, from 12 to 4 o'clock, No. 309 East 32d-st., near 2d-av., third floor, back room.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG WOMAN, EMployment, to go out by the day, week or month as dressmaker and cloakmaker; understands the business thoroughly; will go on reasonable terms; City references. Call at No. 208 West 27th-st., near 7th-av., first floor, front rooms.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young woman as competent waitress in a private family willing and obliging; best of City reference; can be seen until engaged. Call at No. 109 West 15th-st., rear, near 6th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A FIRST-class cook; understands cookery in all its branches; can make all kinds of soups and desserts; has the best of City references. Can be seen for two days at No. 228 8th-av., near 22d-st.

WANTED—BY A FIRST-CLASS SEAMstress work by the day or week, who works on dresses and finishes them off, and family sewing; best City reference. Call for two days at No. 124 West 19th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A HIGHLY respectable girl, who would take care of children and sew or wait on a lady; can make and alter dresses and understands all kinds of knitting; the best City reference. Call at No. 29 West 13th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS HOUSEkeeper by a respectable woman; is fully capable of taking charge of a house; understands all kinds of family sewing; best of references can be given. Call at No. 404 East 17th-st., first floor.

WANTED—A FEW GENTLEMEN'S OR families' washing by a woman who is a good washer and ironer; understands fluting. Inquire of Mrs. DILLON, at No. 219 East 26th-st., top floor, Room No. 7, in the rear.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS CHAMBERmaid and laundress or chambermaid and waitress; no objection to private or public; City references. Call at No. 203 West 27th-st., near 7th-av., first floor front room.

WANTED—BY AN EXPERIENCED AND economical woman, a situation as cook in a private family; the best of City references from her last place. Call at No. 208 West 27th-st., near 7th-av., first floor, front room.

WANTED—BY A SCOTCH PROTESTANT woman, a situation as competent nurse to an infant; can bring it up by bottle or hand; has no objections to go a short distance in the country; the best of City reference given. Call at No. 228 West 19th-st.

WANTED—A COOK'S SITUATION, COUNtry or City, by a good steady woman; she is a very good cook; will wash; understands the care of milk, butter, &c.; private family or boarding house. Call at No. 329 4th-av., new No. 336.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young woman as first-class cook in a private family; has the best of City reference from her last place. Apply at 61 4th-av., between 9th and 10th sts.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL, A situation as chambermaid and to assist with the washing in a private family; reference given. Apply at No. 61 4th-av., between 9th and 10th sts.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE GIRL A situation as cook; is an excellent baker, and is a first-class bread cook; has the best of City reference. No. 353 3d-av.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE ENGLISH girl, a situation to do general housework in a small family; only Americans need apply. Call at No. 122 West 31st., second floor, back room; City preferred.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTFUL WOMAN, to take in family washing and French fluting by the week or month; best City references given. Call at No. 228 West 19th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTESTant girl a situation as nurse and seamstress or chambermaid and seamstress. Call at No. 212 West 16th-st., in the basement.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTESTant woman a few gentlemen's or ladies' washing, or would do ladies' by the month; best City reference. Call or address Mrs. MITCHELL, No. 149 West 4th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS SEAMstress by a young woman who thoroughly understands all kinds of machine work and boys' clothing; best of reference. Call at 404 East 17th-st., first floor.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman, a situation as first-class cook; understands her business; is willing to go to the country has good City reference. Call at No. 241 West 27th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman a situation as cook; is an excellent laundress; has the best of City references. Call at No. 230 East 41st-st., third floor.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GOOD plain cook; would assist at washing and ironing; has six years' City reference. Call at No. 420 East 14th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WIDOW woman, a small family's washing, or a few gentlemen's; can give the best of City reference; terms moderate. Call at No. 167 7th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young married woman, with a fresh breast of milk, as wet nurse. Call for two days at No. 132 East Houston-st., in the rear.

WANTED—SITUATION BY A RESPECTAble Protestant girl, to take charge of a baby; is capable of doing so from its birth; best of City reference from last place. Call at No. 305 West 20th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION TO DO HOUSEwork in a small private family; can do all kinds of work; City or country; best of City reference. Call at No. 135 West 34th-st., near 7th-av.

WANTED—BY A HIGHLY RESPECTABLE girl, a situation as laundress and chambermaid; is fully competent; Can be seen at her present employer's, No. 42 West 21st-st., between 5th and 6th avs.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS SEAMstress and nurse; understands dressmaking and all kinds of sewing and operating on machine; City reference. Apply at No. 233 East 13th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GERMAN girl to do general housework, or as cook, washer and ironer; City reference. Apply at No. 1 First-st., corner of the Bowery.

WANTED—BY A GERMAN PROTESTANT girl, a situation as cook, washer and ironer, or for house or chamberwork. Apply at No. 186 6th-av., above 10th-st.

WANTED—BY A PROTESTANT GIRL, A situation as chambermaid and laundress; City reference. Call at No. 427 West 17th-st., in the rear.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG GIRL, A SITUAtion as seamstress and to assist with chamberwork; two years' reference. Call at 416 East 11th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A GOOD GERman girl to do general housework. Call at No. 127 Norfolk-st., between Rivington and Stanton sts.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECable young girl as first-class waitress; best of City reference. No. 11 East 27th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman as laundress and chambermaid; best reference. Apply at No. 35 East 18th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COOK AND laundress. Call at No. 111 West 12th-st.; reference given.

AT BOOKHAM'S, NO. 399 4TH-AV., (new No. 335,) for country or City, a large number of recommended professed Protestant and other cooks, experienced nurses, seamstresses, laundresses, waitresses, chambermaids, housework'rs, young girls, &c.

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Last week the facts were laid before District-Attorney PIERREPONT, and he advised the issuance of search warrants to Collector BAILEY'S officers, for the purpose of securing possession of those books and papers bearing upon the frauds, the existence of which had been demonstrated by the examinations carried on in the office of the Collector. Upwards of twenty of these warrants were issued yesterday, the officers connected with Supervisor DUTCHER'S and with General PLEASONTON'S office aiding in the work of examination. At one place which the officers visited the books and papers of which they were in search were not to be found on the premises. Mr. DENIKE, Deputy Collector of the Thirty-second District, however, remained about the premises, and after some time heard an order given by one of the persons on the premises to lower down a tierce of hams from the upper lofts. A dray, at the same time, drove up, and a couple of barrels of beef and the supposed tierce of hams were lowered upon the dray; but as it was about to drive off, Deputy DENIKE stopped the team, and on lifting the tierce, found it of very light weight for the supposed contents. On taking the cover off this "tierce," it was found to contain the books and papers of which he was in search, it having been marked for shipment to Windsor, Conn., by the persons having it in custody. Just at the time the dray drove up, one of the partners of this firm very politely invited the officer to walk into the counting room and be introduced to the other partners, but the officer, with equal politeness, remarked that he would first examine the contents of the tierce he would first examine the contents of the tierce he would first examine the contents of the tierce